

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS.
FOR THE
YEAR 1905.

MIDDLEBORO, MASS.:
MIDDLEBORO GAZETTE OFFICE,
1906.

TOWN OFFICERS, 1905.

Town Clerk.

AMOS H. EATON	Term expires 1906
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Treasurer and Collector.

AMOS H. EATON.

Selectmen and Assessors.

EDWIN F. WITHAM	Term expires 1907
LYMAN P. THOMAS	" 1908
WILLIAM M. HASKINS	" 1906

Overseers of the Poor.

ANDREW M. WOOD	Term expires 1908
CHARLES M. THATCHER	" 1907
CHARLES W. KINGMAN	" 1906

School Committee.

WARREN H. SOUTHWORTH	Term expires 1908
WILLIAM C. LITCHFIELD	" 1908
WILLIAM A. ANDREWS	" 1906
NATHAN WASHBURN	" 1906
CHARLES S. TINKHAM	" 1907
E. T. P. JENKS	" 1907

Superintendent of Schools.

CHARLES H. BATES.

Municipal Light Board.

THOMAS S. HODGSON, M. D.	Term expires 1908
HENRY W. SEARS	" 1906
JOHN A. MILLER	" 1907

Board of Health.

JAMES A. BURGESS	Term expires 1907
BERT J. ALLAN	" 1908
THOMAS S. HODGSON, M. D.	" 1906

Constables.

HERBERT L. BATCHELDER.	SAMUEL S. LOVELL.
JOHN R. GOVE.	JOHN M. LUIPPOLD.
SAMUEL HATHAWAY.	FRED. C. SPARROW.
HERBERT L. LEONARD.	ICHABOD B. THOMAS.

Superintendent of Streets.

JOHN C. CHACE.

Registrars of Voters.

LORENZO WOOD	. . . . .	Term expires 1906
JAMES H. RUSSELL	. . . . .	" 1907
WALTER M. CHIPMAN	. . . . .	" 1908

Trustees of the Public Library.

C. D. KINGMAN	. . . . .	Term expires 1908
W. H. SOUTHWORTH	. . . . .	" 1908
NATHAN WASHBURN	. . . . .	" 1908
DAVID G. PRATT	. . . . .	" 1906
JOSEPH E. BEALS	. . . . .	" 1906
KENELM WINSLOW	. . . . .	" 1906
GEORGE BRAYTON	. . . . .	" 1907
E. S. HATHAWAY	. . . . .	" 1907
ANDREW M. WOOD	. . . . .	" 1907

Fish Wardens.

EDWIN F. WITHAM.	LYMAN P. THOMAS.
WILLIAM M. HASKINS.	

Fence Viewers.

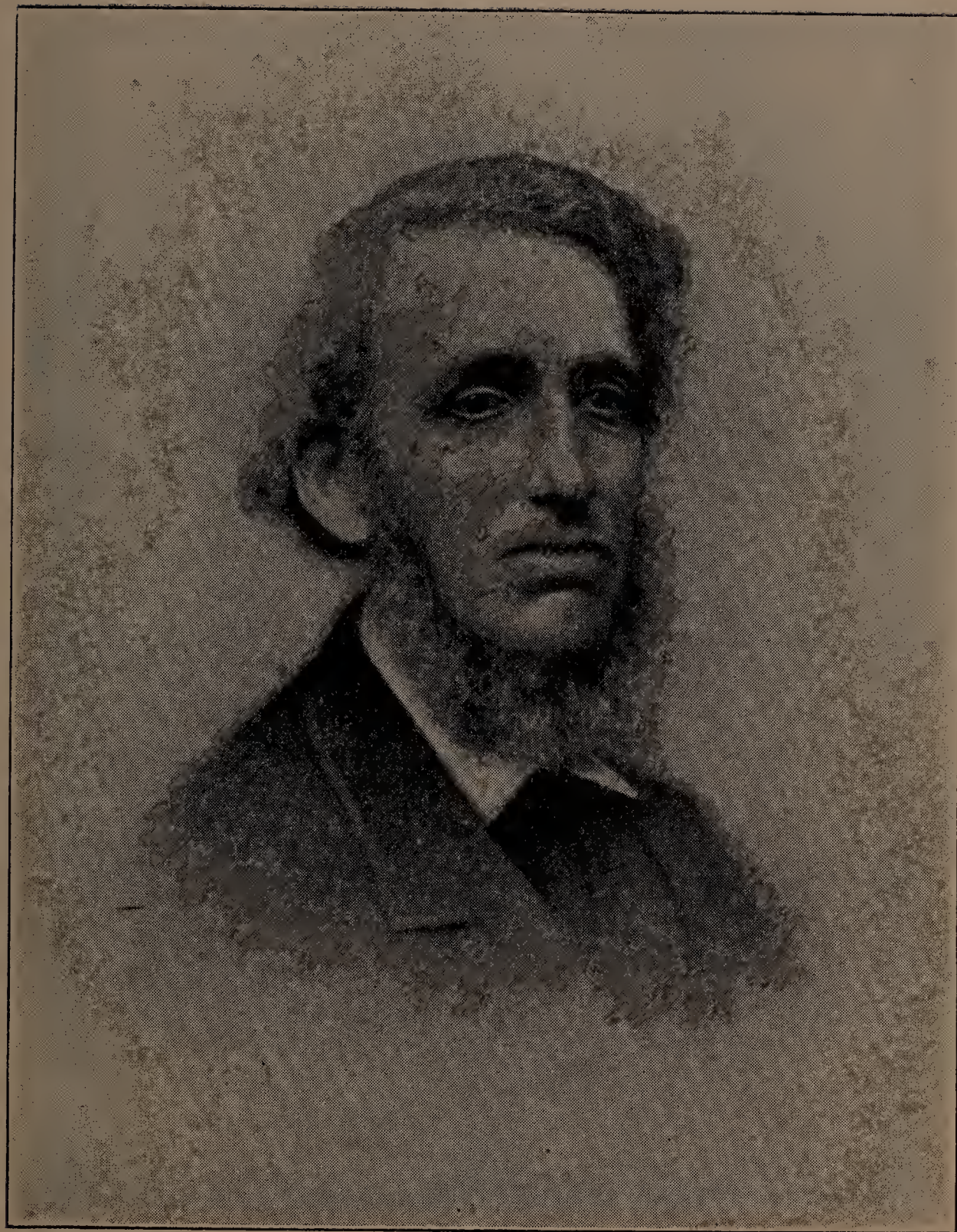
WILLIAM H. CROSBY.	WILLIAM McALLISTER.
LOUIS RITTER.	

Tree Warden.

LUTHER S. BAILEY.

Auditor.

PERCY W. KEITH.



JOSEPH T. WOOD

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Born March 17, 1818; Died February 6, 1890.

A distinctive characteristic of Plymouth Colony was the strong, sturdy, self-reliant ability of its members, not relying on or dependent upon men of high station but possessing a high average grade of character. Such were Brewster and Bradford, Standish, Carver and Howland, and as transmitted to later generations, such was the subject of this sketch.

A lineal descendant of John Howland, Francis Cooke and other Mayflower passengers, Mr. Wood possessed in a marked degree the Pilgrim ideal of character. Of one of the oldest and most honorable families of Middleboro, his immediate ancestry were men of mark. His grandfather, Ebenezer Wood, was three times elected as representative to the Massachusetts Legislature, serving in 1781-2-7.

His father, Judge Wilkes Wood, a graduate of Brown University, and later one of its Fellows, served two years in the State Senate; was a member in 1840 of the electoral college which cast its vote for William Henry Harrison, and for 22 years from 1821 to 1843 was Judge of Probate for Plymouth County.

Joseph T. Wood, the fourth and youngest son of Judge Wilkes Wood and Betsy Wilde Thompson Wood, was born in Middleboro in the house in which he lived and died.

He early became prominent in local affairs and his valuable traits of character being perceived by his fellow townsmen he was soon called to serve them in various offices. For twenty-eight years he was on the Board of Selectmen, in later years being its chairman. In 1852 and 1854 he represented Middleboro in the Legislature and for nine years was one of the County Commissioners of Plymouth County. He also served as Town Assessor and as Water Commissioner. In all these varied offices he

displayed such ability and conscientious devotion to right principles as well as unaffected modesty as to endear himself to his townsmen and win their fullest confidence in his integrity and good judgment. Interested in educating the young he for many years was one of the trustees of Peirce Academy in its palmy days. Believing as he did in the necessity of religious principles, he early united with the Baptist Church in this place and gave forty six years of devoted service as deacon besides serving as Clerk of the Baptist Society, Superintendent of the Sunday School, trustee of church funds and chairman of the building committee which superintended the erection of the present edifice of the Baptist Church which may well be a lasting memorial of him.

“ The memory of the just is blessed.”

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

APPROPRIATIONS MADE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD MARCH 6th, 1905,

*At the Adjournment held March 15th, 1905 and at a
Special Town Meeting held December 16th, 1905.*

Unpaid school bills of 1904	\$550 00
Support of schools, current expenses and super- intendent's salary	24,421 00
Transportation of scholars	2,750 00
Repairs and alterations of school property	1,000 00
Salary of School Committee	150 00
Support of poor	8,000 00
Soldiers' relief	3,500 00
Military aid	500 00
Town officers	2,400 00
Incidentals	2,800 00
Water supply	1,500 00
Town debt	6,250 00
Interest	2,500 00
Salaries Electric Light and Gas Commissioners	150 00
Suburban lighting	400 00
Bond due	2,000 00
Interest	2,861 34
Note due	750 00
Construction	1,000 00
New enclosed arc lights	1,500 00
For purchase of meters	650 00
Board of Health	450 00
Sewers	75 00

Highway Department		\$8,500 00
Police		300 00
Night Watch		750 00
Sprinkling streets		600 00
Tree Warden		100 00
Town house, repairs, insurance, etc.		1,100 00
Town house, painting		450 00
Post No. 8 G. A. R.		200 00
Public Library		200 00
Concrete walks		100 00
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Total appropriations		\$78,457 34
Deduct		
Appropriation for arc lights to be raised by notes	\$1,500 00	
Appropriations made to be raised in 1906	500 00	
Corporation and bank tax	5,040 00	7,040 00
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To be raised by tax		\$71,417 34
Voted by town		\$71,417 34
State tax		5,640 00
State highway tax		42 34
Grade crossing tax		2,382 10
County tax		6,100 73
Non-resident bank tax		157 68
Overlayings		868 07
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Total		\$86,608 26
Deduct amount of note paid by trustee of Peirce Estate		5,000 00
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Total to be raised by tax		\$81,608 26
Assessed on 2,104 polls		\$4,208 00
Assessed on personal property		16,193 65
Assessed on real estate		61,048 93
Assessed on non-resident bank stock		157 68
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		\$81,608 26

Number of polls assessed, 2,104

Value of buildings, excluding land	.	.	\$2,002,185 00
Value of land, excluding buildings	.	.	1,389,422 00
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			\$3,391,607 00
Value of personal estate	.	.	899,647 00
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			\$4,291,254 00

Persons, firms, etc., assessed on property :

Residents	1,441
Non-residents	322
Persons assessed for polls only	.	.	.	.	1,145

Total number of persons assessed 2,908

Number of horses assessed	.	.	.	.	863
Number of cows	"	.	.	.	705
Number of sheep	"	.	.	.	13
Number of swine	"	.	.	.	42
Number of fowl	"	.	.	.	3,500
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed	.	.	.	.	122
Number of dwelling houses				"	1,534
Number of acres of land				"	39,180

Population of town 6,893

Taxes remitted, 1902	.	.	.	.	\$18 00
Taxes remitted, 1903	.	.	.	.	95 80
Taxes remitted, 1904	.	.	.	.	620 94
Taxes remitted, 1905	.	.	.	.	238 64
Added taxes, 1905	.	.	.	.	114 46

Tax rate, \$18.00 on \$1,000.

EDWIN F. WITHAM,
WILLIAM M. HASKINS,
LYMAN P. THOMAS,

Assessors of Middleboro.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1905.

The Selectmen have drawn orders upon the Town Treasurer for the amounts hereinafter given under the several appropriations made by the town :

TOWN OFFICERS.

Appropriations	\$2,400 00	
Unexpended	142 29	
	<hr/>	\$2,542 29
Orders drawn :		
E. F. Witham, selectman and assessor	\$315 00	
L. P. Thomas, selectman and assessor	232 50	
W. M. Haskins, selectman and assessor	232 50	
Clara G. Thomas, clerk	48 00	
Amos H. Eaton, town clerk, treasurer and collector	1,099 98	
Amos H. Eaton, administering oaths	25 00	
Amos H. Eaton, board of registrars .	48 75	
Peter M. Ramsey, board of registrars	8 75	
Lorenzo Wood, board of registrars .	60 00	
James H. Russell, board of registrars	52 90	
Amos H. Eaton, paid election officers	92 50	
Committee on appropriations	40 00	
Walter M. Chipman, board of registrars	26 25	
Sarah A. Phinney, dinners election officers	5 25	
P. W. Keith, auditor	100 00	
A. H. Eaton, paid caucus officers .	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,403 38
Unexpended		<hr/> \$138 91

NIGHT WATCH.

Unexpended	\$7 00	
Appropriation	750 00	
	<hr/>	\$757 00
Orders drawn :		
George E. Hatch		728 00
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Balance unexpended		\$29 00

POLICE.

Unexpended	\$57 26	
Appropriation	300 00	
Bal. from suppression of crime appro.	34 89	
Bal. from 4th district court	62 35	
	<hr/>	\$454 50
Orders drawn :		
William H. Goodwin	5 00	
Herbert L. Leonard	123 00	
William E. Cushman	4 00	
Fred C. Sparrow	16 25	
H. L. Batchelder	25 50	
Samuel Hathaway	35 75	
John M. Luippold	25 50	
John R. Gove	6 00	
Everett T. Lincoln	20 00	
George E. Hatch	3 00	
Ichabod B. Thomas	25 00	
Isaac M. Foye	8 00	
S. S. Lovell	60 50	
John H. Ryder	15 00	
Warren S. Gibbs	2 00	
B. F. Johnson	6 80	
E. F. Witham	12 00	
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Balance unexpended		\$63 20

WATER SUPPLY.

Appropriation	\$1,500 00	
Orders drawn		\$1,500 00

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Orders drawn :		
Luther S. Bailey	99 97	
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Unexpended balance	03	

SPRINKLING STREETS.

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Orders drawn		\$600 00

SEWERS.

Unexpended	\$75 00	
Appropriation	75 00	
Received from sewer permits . .	250 00	
	<hr/>	\$400 00
Orders drawn :		
M. O. Rounseville	350 00	
A. G. Hayes	5 00	
	<hr/>	355 00
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Balance unexpended		\$45 00

MILITIA COMPANY.

Balance unexpended	\$100 00	
Transferred to incidental account		\$100 00

INCIDENTALS.

Balance unexpended	\$26 02	
Appropriation	2,500 00	
So. Mass. Tel. Co. postage . .	2 40	
Edgar D. Wood, sealer of weights and measures	49	
Use of telephone	1 50	
Appropriation at special meeting .	300 00	
Transferred from militia company .	100 00	
Herring account	112 59	
	<hr/>	\$3,043 00

Orders drawn :

Southern Mass. Telephone Co. . .	\$45 57
Isabel Thomas, copying . . .	2 00
Clara G. Thomas, clerk . . .	42 00
Mary C. Eaton, copying . . .	29 40
Wood & Tinkham, printing . .	1,226 55
L. P. Thomas, incidental expenses .	15 41
Hobbs & Warren Co. . . .	1 61
A. B. Paun, M. D., inspector of ani- mals	183 33
C. W. Kingman, forest fire ward .	22 00
W. C. McCrillis, forest fire ward .	69 90
D. S. Surrey, forest fire ward .	10 20
John E. Benson, forest fire ward .	3 30
Geo. H. Vaughan, forest fire ward .	17 60
Benj. C. Shaw, forest fire ward .	19 10
Harry L. Clark, fighting fire . .	60
John L. Benson, forest fire ward .	52 10
E. H. Gammons, forest fire ward .	3 00
Geo. A. Robbins, forest fire ward .	8 60
C. E. Weston, forest fire ward .	5 20
James A. Burgess, inspector of meat and provisions	107 50
Smith & Hathaway, stationery . .	3 16
D. H. Holmes, M. D., registering births	2 25
J. F. Shurtleff, M. D., registering births	50
W. F. Fryer, M. D., registering births	8 00
H. L. Thatcher & Co., printing .	83 38
B. F. Johnson, feeding prisoners .	37 23
B. F. Johnson, keeper of lockup .	50 00
Snow & Barbour, engineering . .	62 50
T. C. Collins & Son, insurance . .	30 00
E. E. Hobart, registry fee . . .	3 00
F. M. Bixby, settlement of Seth A. Eaton case	161 93
E. F. Witham, travelling expenses .	66 15
Municipal Engineering	2 00

Carter Ink Co.	\$2 50	
A. H. Eaton, returning births, marriages and deaths, 1904	110 40	
Sarah A. Phinney, election officers' dinners	10 15	
W. M. Haskins, use of team, etc. . .	62 00	
H. H. Shaw, use of team, etc. . . .	10 00	
D. M. Pratt, moth examiner	17 99	
A. M. Bearse, postage	47 74	
T. A. Churbuck, engineering in case against Taunton	84 75	
M. M. Copeland, printing	55 25	
Keystone Job Print, printing	12 00	
P. B. Murphy, printing	4 25	
Little, Brown & Co., book	4 00	
Wright & Potter Printing Co.	2 50	
Emery Record Preserving Co.	3 75	
Henry M. Meek Pub. Co.	52	
J. L. Fairbanks & Co.	9 50	
Abatement of taxes	44	
Josiah H. Thomas, forest fire ward . .	5 50	
Bowker Insecticide Co.	50	
Amos H. Eaton, delivering tax bills, etc.	66 21	
Everett T. Lincoln, serving notices . .	14 92	
D. D. Sullivan, witness Blair case . .	20 00	
T. G. Sisson, use of horse	7 50	
S. E. Matthews, destroying ballots . .	1 75	
John Robbins Mnfg. Co.	6 25	
A. C. Howes	15 00	
Library Bureau	12 15	
Amos H. Eaton, caucus officers . . .	30 00	
Annie M. Reed, state aid papers . . .	3 50	
George Soule, returning deaths, . . .	21 25	
	<hr/>	\$3,017 34
Balance unexpended		\$25 66

TOWN HALL.

Unexpended balance	\$30 88
Appropriation	900 00

Appropriation at special meeting	\$200 00	
Received for rent of hall	829 30	
Appropriation for painting town house	450 00	
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Orders drawn :

Clara G. Thomas	\$66 00	
J. & G. E. Doane, oil, lead and inci- dentals	182 75	
B. F. Johnson, janitor	520 00	
B. F. Johnson, cash paid out	2 73	
Thomas W. Pierce, incidentals	62 70	
Middleboro Gas & Electric Plant	464 79	
P. W. Keith, insurance	30 00	
T. M. Ryder, insurance	30 00	
D. D. Sullivan	30 00	
C. L. Hathaway	30 00	
Annie M. Reed	30 00	
Jones Bros. Co.	18 47	
John McNally, teaming	10 64	
E. C. Holloway	38	
J. F. Alden, insurance	30 00	
J. K. & B. Sears, lumber	4 30	
H. B. Wentworth, tuning piano	11 50	
Fred C. Sparrow, carpentering	20 95	
Rodney E. Southworth	12 06	
W. H. Southworth, repairs	4 40	
E. H. Blake, repair keys and locks	2 80	
Fred N. Whitman, supplies	2 30	
W. F. Dean, mill work	2 50	
Bryant & Soule, coal	367 27	
H. I. Dallman & Co., dusters	10 50	
LeBaron Foundry Co.	1 50	
John Hickman, slating roof	44 30	
F. A. Johnson, labor painting	311 76	
William E. Bump, brooms	1 50	
Amos H. Eaton, incidentals bought	5 75	
Oliver Typewriter Co.	4 75	
	<hr/>	\$2,316 60
Balance unexpended		<hr/> \$93 58

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Appropriation	\$3,500 00	
Received from Wareham	23 25	
" " Plymouth	60 00	
" " State Treasurer	140 00	
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	\$3,723 25	
Overdrawn	1,337 72	
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Available for 1905		\$2,385 53

Orders drawn :

Town of Sandwich, acct. H. P. Lovell and family	\$234 95
George L. Soule, burial of Mrs. Reu- ben Harlow	35 00
George L. Soule, burial of Charles D. Swett	35 00
George L. Soule, burial of C. W. Turner	35 00
Jones Bros., burial of Ellis Dunham .	35 00
George L. Soule, burial of Eben H. Atwood	35 00
Jones Bros. Co., burial of Edw. Ha- ley, Jr.	35 00
D. H. Holmes, physician to soldiers .	75 00
Annie M. Reed, State aid papers .	4 00
Eugene Blackwell, acct. A. C. How- land	122 00
C. W. Clark	60 00
Mrs. C. H. Crandall	48 00
John M. Luippold, guardian	48 00
Charles Mitchell	36 00
Mrs. Louise Parry	60 00
Mrs. Jennie F. Shaw	60 00
William N. Shaw	66 00
John Scanlin	48 00
George Temple	60 00
Mrs. Henrietta Wilmot	96 00

Melissa Collins	.	.	.	.	\$48 00
W. T. Jefferson	.	.	.	.	6 00
Eben H. Atwood	.	.	.	.	107 00
C. O. Cook	.	.	.	.	90 00
Town of Wareham, acct. Albert Shaw					23 25
Mrs. C. H. Perry and child	.	.			154 15
Harrison Haskins	.	.	.	.	116 00
L. S. Raymond	.	.	.	.	20 00
Sylvanus Bisbee	.	.	.	.	46 00
Maria S. Haines	.	.	.	.	10 00
Isabel H. Finney	.	.	.	.	72 00
George H. Shaw, 2d	.	.	.	.	80 00
William E. Bump	.	.	.	.	25 00
William F. Thompson	.	.	.	.	80 00
George Powers	.	.	.	.	35 00
Job N. Cole	.	.	.	.	30 00
Abiel Gibbs	.	.	.	.	86 00
Stephen H. Hammond	.	.	.	.	36 00
Earl T. Smith	.	.	.	.	20 00
Theodore P. Holmes	.	.	.	.	62 00
Daniel F. Wilbur	.	.	.	.	135 00
Hannah V. Mellen	.	.	.	.	126 00
George B. Leonard	.	.	.	.	20 00
Artemas Morse	.	.	.	.	14 00
Simeon Harlow	.	.	.	.	63 00
James Farley	.	.	.	.	95 50
I. M. Foye	.	.	.	.	55 00
John J. Perkins	.	.	.	.	25 00
Samuel Williams	.	.	.	.	20 00
A. O. Standish	.	.	.	.	29 00
Mrs. M. A. Perry	.	.	.	.	94 00
Elvira P. Swett	.	.	.	.	10 00
George L. Finney	.	.	.	.	32 00
Mrs. Eben Atwood	.	.	.	.	62 00
E. E. Place	.	.	.	.	12 00
Henry A. Eaton	.	.	.	.	10 00
James McMann	.	.	.	.	128 00
Job Chandler	.	.	.	.	5 00
Salisbury H. Frisbie	.	.	.	.	12 00
James H. Tripp	.	.	.	.	149 00

Ellen J. Barrows	.	.	.	.	\$66 50	
Mrs. A. Bliss	.	.	.	.	72 25	
Wilson Orr	.	.	.	.	6 00	
Benj. F. Mosher	.	.	.	.	15 00	
Julia Boardman	.	.	.	.	16 00	
Sanford Weston	.	.	.	.	25 00	
Bernard Glancy	.	.	.	.	10 00	
Solon Robertson	.	.	.	.	92 00	
Arad Thomas	.	.	.	.	10 00	
					<u> </u>	\$3,789 60
Overdrawn	.	.	.	.		<u> </u> \$1,404 07

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Unexpended	.	.	.	.	\$2,311 92	
Appropriation for repair of highways, snow bills, State highway, and Su- perintendent's salary	.	.	.	.	8,500 00	
Received from street sprinkling	.	.	.	.	1,347 50	
Received from other sources, as per Superintendent's report	.	.	.	.	14,619 25	
					<u> </u>	\$26,778 67

Orders drawn :

General highway bills approved by the Superintendent of Streets	.	.	.	.	\$24,380 33	
Paid State Treasurer, Highway tax	.	.	.	.	42 34	
Deduct error in cash book	.	.	.	.	225 57	24,648 24
					<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Unexpended balance	.	.	.	.		\$2,130 43

STATE AID.

A LIST OF THE NAMES OF THOSE PERSONS TO WHOM STATE
AID HAS BEEN PAID DURING THE YEAR 1905,
AND THE AMOUNT PAID TO EACH.

Alden, Susan M.,	\$48.00	Finney, Isabelle B.,	48.00
Alden, Mrs. Warner,	48.00	Freeman, Andrew,	12.00
Atwood, Eben H.,	24.00	Gammons, Melintha B.,	48.00
Atwood, Rebecca S.,	12.00	Gammons, Thomas G.,	48.00
Atwood, John,	48.00	Gibbs, Charles F.,	72.00
Atwood, Eliza A.,	48.00	Gibbs, Stephen S.,	48.00
Ashley, Luther G.,	72.00	Glidden, Benjamin R.,	48.00
Barrows, Ellen J.,	48.00	Haines, Maria H.,	48.00
Bisbee, Sylvanus,	72.00	Hammond, Stephen H.,	28.00
Bisbee, Abigail,	44.00	Harlow, Simeon,	72.00
Blinkinsop, James,	72.00	Harvey, Alexander V.,	48.00
Bliss, Alphonso,	72.00	Haskell, John T.,	48.00
Boardman, Julia,	48.00	Haskins, Harrison,	72.00
Bryant, James W.,	72.00	Hathaway, Sarah,	48.00
Bryant, Drusilla J.,	48.00	Haven, Perley,	72.00
Bryant, William E.,	72.00	Haven, Lucinda E.,	48.00
Bump, Benjamin W.,	72.00	Hermann, George H.,	72.00
Bump, Emily A.,	48.00	Holmes, Theodore P.,	72.00
Bump, William E.,	50.00	Howard, Cyrus S.,	48.00
Bunp, Juliett,	48.00	Howland, Alvin C.,	48.00
Butler, Susan K.,	48.00	Knowland, John B.,	48.00
Carroll, John,	12.00	Lane, Benjamin F.,	48.00
Capen, Mary L.,	48.00	Litchfield, William C.,	48.00
Carl, William H.,	48.00	Littlejohn, Ira O.,	60.00
Carter, James,	72.00	Lucas, Abner,	72.00
Caswell, William W.,	72.00	Lyon, Mary A.,	48.00
Clark, Maria H.,	48.00	McMann, James E.,	48.00
Chandler, Job C.,	60.00	McMann, Lydia A.,	48.00
Chandler, William B.,	48.00	Merrick, John R.,	48.00
Churchill, Annie E.,	48.00	Mitchell, Charles,	72.00
Cole, Job N.,	72.00	Morse, Charles H.,	48.00
Cole, Abbie D.,	48.00	Morse, Ezra,	36.00
Coombs, William A.,	48.00	Mosher, Benjamin F.,	60.00
Doten, Rebecca S.,	3.00	Nichols, Lucia M.,	48.00
Copeland, Amy E.,	48.00	Nickerson, Hiram,	72.00
Dorr, Amos L.,	72.00	Nickerson, Eliza E.,	48.00
Dorr, Mary T.,	48.00	Norveille, Susan,	48.00
Drew, Stephen D., Jr.,	24.00	Perkins, John J.,	54.00
Dunham, Harriett A.,	48.00	Perkins, Lucy,	48.00
Dunham, Mary Y.,	48.00	Perkins, Joshua L.,	72.00
Eaton, Henry A.,	72.00	Perkins, Thompson,	72.00
Eaton, Deborah,	48.00	Pittsley, Charles P.,	72.00
Ellis, Daniel W.,	18.00	Pittsley, Sarah J.,	48.00
Fagan, Peter,	72.00	Place, Edward E.,	32.00
Fagan, Hannah,	48.00	Raymond, Lucius S.,	48.00
Faxon, William L.,	72.00	Raymond, Marcus M.,	36.00
Finney, George L.,	72.00	Scanlin, John,	72.00
Finney, Cordelia A.,	48.00	Shaw, Albert,	72.00
Finney, Thomas W.,	32.00	Shaw, George H.,	72.00

Shaw, Jennie F.,	48.00	Thomas, George B.,	72.00
Shaw, Joanna,	48.00	Thomas, Mary,	44.00
Shores, Phoebe C.,	32.00	Tripp, James H.,	48.00
Sisson, Clarinda A.,	48.00	Thompson, William F.,	20.00
Smith, Earl T.,	20.00	Waterman, Julia A.,	48.00
Smith, Roland,	48.00	Weatherbee, David N.,	48.00
Smith, John E.,	48.00	Weatherbee, Mary H.,	48.00
Smith, Watson N.,	54.00	Westgate, Edward S.,	48.00
Soule, Abby J.,	24.00	Weston, Dura T.,	48.00
Southworth, Rodney,	24.00	Weston, Sanford,	72.00
Staples, William S.,	72.00	Whitman, Alden,	72.00
Shurtleff, Benjamin,	40.00	Leonard, Ellen,	48.00
Temple, George,	72.00	Wilbur, Charles,	36.00
Thomas, Arad, Jr.,	72.00	Williams, Samuel,	18.00
Thomas, Lucy,	48.00		

MILITARY AID.

A LIST OF THE NAMES OF PERSONS TO WHOM MILITARY
AID HAS BEEN PAID DURING THE YEAR 1905,
AND THE SUM PAID TO EACH.

Field, Lysander W.,	\$120.00	Shaw, William N.,	132.00
Gibbs, Abiel,	96.00	Standish, Alfred O.,	144.00
Glancy, Bernard,	96.00	Thompson, William F.,	60.00
Howes, Charles A.,	120.00	Wood, Jacob,	144.00
Leonard, George B.,	96.00	Wilbur, Daniel F.,	120.00
Powers, George,	120.00		

LIST OF JURORS.

The Selectmen propose the following persons to serve as jurors the ensuing year :

F. Austin G. Atwood.	Harrison W. Atwood.
Wm. F. Atwood, France st.	Otis L. Barden.
Walter L. Beals.	Grover Bennett.
John L. Benson.	Howard M. Bishop.
Joshua K. Bishop.	George F. Bryant.
Charles E. Bump.	Marshall P. Burgess.
John M. Casey.	Abisha T. Clark.
James M. Coombs.	George A. Cox.
Nathaniel S. Cushing, Jr.	Albert Dean.
Arad R. Dunham.	George A. Earle.
Lucius M. Fuller.	Morton L. Gammons.
Wm. M. Haskins.	Thomas J. LeBaron.
Clarence E. Libby.	Adam P. McKeen.
John Merrihew.	Andrew W. Miller.
Edwin F. Witham.	Edward C. Wood.
Louis D. Churbuck.	Herbert W. Cornish.
Horace A. Vaughan.	James F. Roberts.
Charles B. Dunham.	Wordsworth H. Harvey.
Luther S. Bailey.	Charlie O. Breach.
Michael O'Donnell.	Edward H. Blake.
Robert S. Phillips.	Geo. H. Place.
David G. Pratt.	Luther B. Pratt.
John C. Robinson.	Charles E. Ryder.
Henry K. W. Ryder.	John H. Ryder.
Albert T. Savery.	Truman C. Savery.
Benjamin C. Shaw.	Albert T. Westgate.
Walter H. Smith.	Walter M. Snow.
Edwin E. Soule.	Orlando Soule.

Myron R. Sturgis.	David S. Surrey.
John J. Sullivan.	Charles M. Thatcher.
Alfred E. Thomas.	Charles H. Thomas.
William H. Thomas.	James A. Thomas.
Lazell E. Thomas.	Ichabod B. Thomas.
Asaph F. Washburn.	John B. Thomas.
George H. Wilbur.	William L. Wade.
Charles F. Cole.	Seneca T. Weston.
Carlton W. Maxim.	Warren B. Stetson.
Thomas F. McDonald.	Charles H. Soule.
Bradford Harlow.	Michael H. Kelly.
Leonidas Deane.	Alvin C. Howes.

The Selectmen have made the following appointments in their order :

A. B. Paun, M. D., Inspector of Animals.
 Henry H. Robinson, Inspector of Alewives.
 E. F. Witham, Burial Agent.
 John C. Chace, Supt. of Streets.
 Walter M. Chipman, Registrar of Voters.
 George E. Hatch, Night Watchman.
 Edgar D. Wood, Sealer of Weights and Measures.
 B. F. Johnson, Keeper of Lockup.
 D. M. Pratt, Moth Examiner.

ELECTION OFFICERS.

Precinct 1.

A. W. Leonard	.	.	Warden.
Warren S. Gibbs	.	.	Deputy Warden.
P. W. Keith	.	.	Clerk.
B. J. Allan	.	.	Deputy Clerk.
T. J. Pratt	.	.	Inspector.
B. E. Holmes	.	.	Inspector.
M. V. B. Pratt	.	.	Deputy Inspector.
H. A. Pratt	.	.	Deputy Inspector.
Josiah T. Carver	.	.	Officer.

Precinct 2.

George F. Bryant .	.	Warden.
Chester E. Weston .	.	Deputy Warden.
Joseph E. Beals .	.	Clerk.
E. F. Witham .	.	Deputy Clerk and Teller.
Wm. M. Haskins .	.	Inspector.
E. T. P. Jenks .	.	Deputy Inspector and Teller.
Edgar D. Wood .	.	Inspector.
Walter M. Snow .	:	Deputy Inspector.
Isaac M. Foye .	.	Officer.

The Selectmen have laid out Tispaquin street between Wareham street and Fall Brook, and Sumner avenue, from Arlington street north 2100 feet, as town ways and they have been accepted and allowed by the town.

They have also petitioned the County Commissioners to widen, straighten, and relocate Pine street throughout its entire length.

The suit of Seth A. Eaton against the town has been settled.

The claims of the town against the cities of Taunton and New Bedford will be heard before Marcus Morton as auditor in February.

The case against G. M. Quirk & Co. has not advanced, it being necessary to appoint another Auditor in place of Judge Grover who has been appointed District Attorney.

Judgment was for plaintiff in the cases of Blair vs. town of Middleboro and the town has appealed.

No action has been taken during the year in the case of the Marinette Gas Eng. Co. against the town.

Judgment was for plaintiff in the case of Morse vs. the town of Middleboro and it will be necessary to raise the money to satisfy it at the coming March meeting.

EDWIN F. WITHAM,
WILLIAM M. HASKINS,
LYMAN P. THOMAS,

Selectmen of Middleboro.

REPORT OF FISH WARDENS.

Received from sale of herrings .	\$55 00	
Received from towns down the river	230 00	
		<hr/> \$285 00
Orders drawn :		
E. T. Lincoln, auctioneer . .	\$2 00	
H. H. Robinson, inspector . .	130 00	
R. Hathaway, fish warden . .	10 00	
E. F. Witham, fish warden . .	5 00	
Wm. M. Haskins, fish warden .	5 00	
L. P. Thomas, fish warden . .	5 00	
Town of Lakeville, percent of balance	15 41	
Transferred to incidental account .	112 59	
		<hr/> \$285 00

EDWIN F. WITHAM,
WILLIAM M. HASKINS,
LYMAN P. THOMAS,
Fish Wardens.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

MIDDLEBORO, Mass., Jan. 1st, 1906.

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Middleboro:

I have the honor to make the following report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1905.

I have condemned six spring balances, one dry measure, three weights, two yard sticks and one Platform scale.

There has been received for fees	\$30 54
I have paid out for new hand seal, printing, stickers, car fare and horse hire	7 85
I have charged the town for seventy four hours time at 30 cents	22 20
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Balance due the town of Middleboro and paid into the treasury of same	0 49

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR D. WOOD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Middleboro:

The following is a statement of receipts and disbursements for and on account of highway, State highway, and town bills, etc., as received and paid since Jan. 1st.

Unexpended balance for 1904. . . \$2,311 92

Received from Jan. 1905 to Jan. 1906 :

Jan.	7	John C. Chace	2 00
"	28	Mrs. Jowitt for stone dust	9 00
Feb.	25	Peirce Trustees	2,160 01
Mar.		Appropriation	8,500 00
Apr.	29	Mrs. Jowitt for stone dust	1 50
June	8	State Treasurer	97 99
Aug.	1	O. C. St. Ry. Co. . . .	14 28
"	10	Peirce Trustees	4,446 55
"	21	Leonard, Shaw & Dean, for labor	21 83
Sept.	23	V. A. Libby, town teams .	20 00
Oct.	6	Peirce Trustees	3,562 42
"	28	Eben Pickens, labor on sewer	37 64
		M. S. Ryder, labor on sewer	103 08
Nov.	3	George W. Stetson, labor on sewer	82 71
"	18	S. Mass. Tel. Co., town team	16 00
"	22	E. Taunton St. Ry. Co. .	69 52
"	25	O. Colony St. Ry. Co. .	928 78
Dec.	11	State Treasurer	1,365 04

Dec. 30	J. C. Chace, for dust, dress-	
	ing and pork	\$52 80
	Midd. Ind. Asso., labor	
	and material on sewers	1,604 97
	Street sprinkling	1,347 50
		<hr/> \$26,755 54

EXPENDITURES.

General expenses since January 1st,
1905 :

Bryant & Soule, hay, grain and coal .	\$1,090 42
Martin T. Soule	145 53
C. N. Atwood, wood	21 50
Midd. Water Works, iron pipes .	46 00
T. G. Ford, blacksmith work . .	67 75
T. W. Peirce	257 73
T. F. McDonald, blacksmith work .	59 13
W. F. Dean, sawing, planing, etc. .	7 95
John C. Chace, incidentals as per bills	73 58
John C. Chace, acct. Clark & Cole	60 02
John C. Chace, acct. Charles Dunham	10 00
C. W. Maxim, sawing, planing, etc.	73 95
W. S. Andrews, boots	9 25
J. & G. E. Doane, hardware . . .	717 30
R. E. Southworth, signs	2 50
Savery Morse, sand	1 20
Midd. Harness Store	24 45
A. C. Cosseboom	99 85
F. C. Norris, harness repairing .	70 49
J. K. & B. Sears, pipes	274 13
Wylie Bros., machinists	7 46
George W. Stetson, acct. Wm. Thomas	268 83
Acme Road Machinery Co.	238 00
Good Road Machinery Co.	94 60
A. J. Bailey, painting	48 85
Midd. Gas & Electric Plant, stable lights	12 42
Henry Perkins Co., castings . . .	1 08
Dr. A. G. Walker	3 00
Lloyd Perkins, 2nd	32 81
John McNally, posts	3 85

M. H. Cushing & Co., salt, hay, grain and cement	\$258 10	
Nathan Washburn, acct. Adelard Boutine	94 87	
Nathan Washburn, acct. W. A. Shaw	48 77	
Nathan Washburn, acct. Joseph Boutine	81 93	
Kelley Road Roller Co.	46 00	
Vestal Oil Co., oil, belting, etc. .	67 80	
Taunton Locomotive Co., new tubes .	88 19	
C. P. Washburn, grain	122 21	
B. J. Allan, acct. Elmer Bumpus .	53 29	
W. E. Fay, shoeing	65 36	
O'Hara Bros., coal	80 28	
C. E. Roberts, boiler insurance .	50 00	
T. & B. B. St. Ry., carting dust .	69 50	
Chas. Carpenter est.	6 20	
Water Proof Paint Co.	32 05	
L. P. Thomas, engineering and wood	33 00	
Thomas & Clapp, roofing stable .	56 97	
Thomas & Clapp, concrete	445 53	
Baltimore Novelty Co., signs . . .	2 00	
L. E. Thomas, wood	40 00	
Holmes & Blanchard, sprocket . .	1 19	
LeBaron Foundry Co.	44 22	
Harold L. Bond	6 50	
N. E. Brick Co.	18 05	
M. H. Cushing, curb stone and gravel	79 80	
M. H. Penniman, painting signs .	44 70	
Alex Eaton, incidentals as per bills .	28 25	
J. C. Keith, horse	225 00	
Eagle Oil Co.	62 90	
T. F. Boucher, paint, etc.	11 55	
S. S. Paine, cement	63 00	
Eastern Expanded Metal Co., steel rods	17 51	
The Aberthaw Const. Co., twisted steel rods	19 96	
Cash paid to State Treasurer . . .	42 74	
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		\$6,231 05

ORDERS DRAWN FOR STONE.

John C. Chace	\$86 96
C. H. Shaw	21 16
John M. Cushman	73 09
L. B. Pratt	.	.	.	.	313 17
S. L. Pratt	.	.	.	.	105 96
John Capeless	.	.	.	.	81 08
Frank E. Miller	.	.	.	.	70 12
John McNally	.	.	.	.	145 41
Alex Eaton	.	.	.	.	204 35
Joseph Osborne	.	.	.	.	8 77
John M. Deane	.	.	.	.	8 37
G. H. Simmons	.	.	.	.	149 80
C. H. Thomas	.	.	.	.	43 52
G. A. Earle	.	.	.	.	4 86
F. M. Stickney	.	.	.	.	3 00
Mr. Fillmore	.	.	.	.	6 40
Mr. Gurney	.	.	.	.	30 66
George R. Sampson	13 39
Anders Martenson	2 34
Joseph Carver	5 00
Clyde L. Harlow	44 93
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					\$1,422 34

Traded 10 cords manure for stone to Clyde L. Harlow

Money expended during the year by the Supt. of Streets and the several assistants in respective districts since Jan. 1, 1905 :

John C. Chace, on town, state and	
other macadam and sewerage	. \$13,016 09
I. B. Thomas	. 251 17
Josiah H. Thomas	. 244 57
M. P. Azevedo	. 305 86
G. H. Simmons	. 153 24
E. S. Ober	. 100 36
John H. Ryder	. 74 64
W. A. Shaw	. 53 40
Wm. F. Clark	. 764 09
Henry T. Clark	. 244 59
J. Foster Penniman	. 429 46

V. A. Libby	.	.	.	.	\$238 36
S. L. Pratt	.	.	.	.	344 03
C. E. Pratt	.	.	.	.	195 18
A. R. Dunham	.	.	.	.	338 94
C. H. Shaw	188 54
					<hr/> \$16,942 52

Appropriations and receipts	.				\$26,755 54
Expenditures	24,595 91
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Balance	\$2,159 63 .

TOWN TEAMS.

We had the misfortune to lose one of the horses this year, but have replaced him by a new one which matches very nicely. Would say here that I thank the teamers for care and interest taken in teams, and promptness in hitching out morning and noon, also their readiness to get out any time of night in case of snow.

STREET SPRINKLING.

Appropriations and assessments	.	.	.	.	\$1,347 50
Expenditures	.	.	.	.	1,347 50

SOUTH MAIN STREET.

We are again indebted to the Peirce estate for the building of one of the finest streets in this part of the state, a broad avenue, with thirty-three feet in width of macadam with tree space on each side, with circle curbing at corners of streets, with sewer from Courtland to Grove streets, taking care of the water at junction of Courtland and Main streets and Court End avenue and Main st., besides supplying a long felt want of the residents along the line, and when the grass starts in the spring it will make an appearance that all may be proud of.

This work was begun late in the spring and with the intention of keeping one side of street passable, but upon making a survey it was found that the electric road had not been put in location given it by the town and the delay caused by their relocating tracks made it somewhat inconvenient for public travel, but the improvements made will alleviate all their woes. This improvement will long be

remembered as a gift from the Thomas S. Peirce estate through the courtesy of the trustees and their appreciation of a good road.

VALUATION OF HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Crusher plant	\$2,000 00
Steam roller	2,000 00
17 snow ploughs	340 00
14 street cranes	350 00
Town stable and lot	2,750 00
1 lot of land on Centre st. . . .	1,200 00
1 street sprinkling cart	325 00
1 street sprinkling cart	200 00
1 street sprinkling cart	50 00
4 horses, 2 carts, 3 sets double harnesses	1,100 00
1 extra tip cart	100 00
1 single tip cart	25 00
1 single cart harness	20 00
1 spreading cart	200 00
1 two-horse gear	100 00
1 two-horse gear	75 00
3 road scrapers	450 00
1 tool cart	5 00
1 stone dray	10 00
1 Watson wagon	165 00
1 jobbing wagon	40 00
1 heavy harrow	10 00
Ploughs, chains, ropes and tools etc. . . .	175 00
Building material	100 00
1 bin screen and elevator	300 00
4 ton hay	76 00
500 ton stone at crusher	250 00
	————— \$12,416 00

Thanks to assistants for interest shown in their several departments.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. CHACE,

Superintendent of Streets.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

From January 1, 1905 to January 6, 1906.

My work the past year has been trimming and removing both live and dead trees.

I had to remove six on Main street; four live and two dead ones.

We did not spray any trees on the street the past year, as there were very few trees eaten by the elm leaf beetle.

I have only found two nests of the gypsy moth, but there are many brown tail moth's nests in town. I have taken about fifty nests and destroyed them for parties who have called on me to do the work. There are many more that have not been destroyed.

In conclusion I will say that the telephone company has done good work on Oak and South Main streets. They have started in the right direction for protecting the trees. They have removed all the wires and replaced them with a cable.

The next move is to have the electric wires removed, so that they will not interfere with the limbs. I think that this can be done the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

L. S. BAILEY,
Tree Warden.

TREE WARDEN'S ACCOUNT.

Rec'd appropriation	.	.	.	.	.	\$100 00
Paid for help	.	.	.	.	\$14 50	
team	.	.	.	.	7 00	
filig saw	1 50	
Friend Manufacturing Co.	92	
Railroad fare	55	
36 days labor	108 00	
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					\$132 47	132 47
Overdrawn 1904		14 97
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						\$147 44
						100 00
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Overdrawn	\$47 44

VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

2 ladders	\$10 00
1 pump	25 00
Saws, ropes, clippers	4 50
Spurs	3 00
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							\$42 50

ANNUAL REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1905.

Cash in hands of overseers as per last report	\$42 13
Received from town treasurer	8,963 36
From produce sold from farm	1,166 91
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	\$10,172 40
Paid expenses at town farm	\$3,487 89
Outside poor	2,259 50
Residing here, settlement else- where	849 86
Residing elsewhere, settlement here	1,427 43
State farm	72 00
Hospital for epileptics	85 42
School for feeble minded	338 90
Bills for 1904, paid this year	114 80
Salary of superintendent and matron	600 00
Overseers of Poor for the year	450 00
Town physician for the year	200 00

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Overseers of the Poor out of town at different times, telephone, books, stationery, postage, insurance, etc.	149 78
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	10,035 58
Balance on hand	<hr/>
	\$136 82

No. of inmates at town farm January			
1st, 1905	.	.	17
Admitted during year	.	.	2
Discharged or removed	.	.	4
No. remaining Jan. 1, 1906	.	.	15
No. of tramps lodged during the year,			160
Real estate, January 1st, 1906			
	.	.	\$13,850 00
Personal property			
	.	.	4,275 42

The following is a partial list of produce raised at the farm the past year, part of which has been sold and the remainder is being used for support of inmates :

Corn,	bushels	323	Pumpkins,	tons	1
Potatoes,	"	235	Squashes,	"	1
Mangles,	"	487	Corn fodder,	"	10
Turnips,	"	60	Hay,	"	50
Carrots,	"	6	Rowen,	"	5
Beets,	"	8	Oat straw,	"	2
Beans,	"	8	Rye "	"	1
Rye,	"	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	Eggs,	dozen	315
Apple,	bbls.	15			

Milk, cream, butter and garden vegetables in abundance.

The management of the farm still remains in the hands of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Nickerson and the present board of Overseers feel that everything is in safe hands, and that the inmates are as well cared for as it is possible for them to be. There have been no deaths at the farm during the year and the general health of the people there is as good as could be expected considering the advanced age and enfeebled condition of most of them.

The expenses of outside poor do not change materially from year to year except where there are cases of protracted illness which is unavoidable.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW M. WOOD,
CHARLES W. KINGMAN,
CHARLES M. THATCHER,

Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

For the Year 1905.

	1900 TAX.			
Due as by last report	.	.	.	\$204 67
Due Dec. 31, 1905	.	.	.	204 67
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	1901 TAX.			
Due as by last report	.	.	.	\$542 60
Collected during 1905	.	.	\$327 50	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	.	.	215 10	
			<hr/>	\$542 60
	1902 TAX.			
Due as by last report	.	.	.	\$2,363 68
Collected during 1905	.	.	\$1,429 91	
Remitted during 1905	.	.	101 19	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	.	.	832 58	
			<hr/>	\$2,363 68
	1903 TAX.			
Due as by last report	.	.	.	\$7,064 27
Collected during 1905	.	.	\$4,566 73	
Remitted during 1905	.	.	85 45	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	.	.	2,412 09	
			<hr/>	\$7,064 27
	1904 TAX.			
Due as by last report	.	.	.	\$13,155 23
Collected during 1905	.	.	\$6,538 81	
Remitted during 1905	.	.	609 37	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	.	.	6,007 05	
			<hr/>	\$13,155 23

1905 TAX.

Committed by Assessors . . .	\$86,608 26	
Added by Assessors . . .	119 86	
	<hr/>	\$86,728 12
Collected during 1905 . . .	\$65,891 40	
Remitted during 1905 . . .	500 54	
Due Dec. 31, 1905 . . .	20,336 18	
	<hr/>	\$86,728 12

STREET SPRINKLING TAX.

1900 TAX.

Due by report of last year . . .		\$5 25
Remitted		5 25

1901 TAX.

Due by report of last year . . .		\$34 96
Collected in 1905	\$19 94	
Remitted in 1905	7 89	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	7 13	
	<hr/>	\$34 96

1902 TAX.

Due by report of last year . . .		\$60 78
Collected in 1905	\$34 45	
Remitted in 1905	10 97	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	15 36	
	<hr/>	\$60 78

1903 TAX.

Due by report of last year . . .		\$104 55
Collected in 1905	\$43 19	
Remitted in 1905	15 96	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	45 40	
	<hr/>	\$104 55

1904 TAX.

Due by report of last year . . .		\$126 43
Paid in 1905	\$43 15	
Remitted in 1905	0 39	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	82 89	
	<hr/>	\$126 43

1905 TAX.

Committed Sept. 1905	.	.	.		\$742 72
Paid in 1905	.	.	.	\$605 85	
Remitted	.	.	.	0 42	
Due Dec. 31, 1905	.	.	.	136 45	
				<u> </u>	\$742 72

COLLECTOR'S CASH ACCOUNT.

On hand January 1, 1905	.	.	\$1,536 37	
Received Interest	.	.	722 07	
Received M. W. & B. B. Ry. Co.,				
excise tax	.	.	148 36	
Received street sprinkling	.	.	747 50	
Received Town taxes	.	.	78,754 35	
			<u> </u>	\$81,908 65
Paid Town Treasurer	.	.	81,100 00	
On hand December 31, 1905	.	.	808 65	
			<u> </u>	\$81,908 65

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Amos H. Eaton, Treasurer,

In account with Town of Middleboro.

CASH RECEIVED.

January 1, 1906, cash on hand as by		
last report		\$378 77
For sewer entrances		250 00
Town debt, Peirce estate		5,000 00
Wm. L. Chipman, clerk 4th Dist. Court		324 00
School account		1,456 00
C. H. Bates	\$194 00	
State Treasurer	442 00	
Boston	52 00	
S. T. Nelson	24 00	
Plympton	40 00	
Lakeville	704 00	
Town Hall, rent		829 30
Interest		1,164 92
Banks	42 85	
Collector of taxes	722 07	
Enoch Pratt fund	400 00	
Soldiers' relief		223 25
Wareham	23 25	
Plymouth	60 00	
State Treasurer	140 00	
Incidental acct.		4 39
Telephone	3 90	
Sealer weights and measures	49	
Board of Health		17 10
Melvin & Badger	10	
Licenses	17 00	
Military Aid, State Treasurer		688 00
State Aid, State Treasurer		5,803 00

Cemetery Trust Funds	\$1,387 00
Mrs. Louisa Smith	\$50 00
J. P. McCully, est.	100 00
Chas. L. Starkey	100 00
Mrs. B. F. Hamilton	50 00
Mrs. Clara S. Kelley	100 00
Heirs Wm. and Lydia Thomas	50 00
A. T. Clark, admr.	50 87
Jas. Dowsing's admr.	51 61
Geo. H. Poor, admr.	500 00
A. E. Thomas, admr.	18 44
Alvin Pease	100 00
Interest	216 08
Herring acct.	285 00
Towns down river	230 00
Sale of alewives	55 00
Amos H. Eaton, collector of taxes	80,377 93
Nat. Bank tax	185 76
Street sprinkling	747 50
Town tax	79,444 67
Highway acct.	14,596 12
John C. Chace	54 80
Mrs. Jowett	10 50
Peirce trustees	10,168 98
State Treasurer	1,463 03
O. C. St. R. R. Co.	943 06
Leonard, Shaw & Dean	21 83
V. A. Libby	20 00
Ebenezer Pickens	37 64
Morrill S. Ryder	103 08
George W. Stetson	82 71
S. Mass. Telephone Co.	16 00
E. Taunton St. Ry. Co.	69 52
Mid. Industrial Asso.	1,604 97
Support of poor	848 56
L. Thacher, acct.	150 00
Taunton	143 50
Winchester	3 75
New Bedford	26 80
Dighton	43 00

Answer	\$125 00	
Fall River	39 00	
Kayahuna	95 12	
Trade Insurance	125 76	
Municipal light, electric		\$11,961 16
Municipal light, construction loan		1,500 00
New engine, additional R. loan		1,500 00
Temporary loan		23,968 00
F. Austin G. Atwood	1,500 00	
Mid. Nat. Bank	21,000 00	
Mid. St. Bank	12,500 00	
Licenses		1,296 96
Advert. Lath Co. Tr.	1,113 96	
Other Licenses	177 00	
State Treasurer		6,396 17
Corporation tax	5,187 31	
Nat. Bank tax	1,229 64	
Town History loan, Mid. St. Bank	2,500 00	
		<u>\$129,298 21</u>

CASH PAID.

For Suppression of crime, D. D. Sullivan	\$20 00
Sever, orders of abatement	155 00
Town history	396 17
J. E. Banks, Jr.	\$125 00
C. J. FARRER Sons Co.	95 12
	<u> </u>
Municipal R. loan, order paid	
R. loan	2,000 00
Cemetery fund, Mid. Savings Bank	1,178 91
Water supply, Nat. Water Works	1,500 00
Town debt, Mid. Savings Bank	6,250 00
Post N. G. A. B., C. A. Hawes, Que.	200 00
Suburban lighting, order paid	
R. loan	
Int. on mun. R. bonds, order	295 63
mun. R. loan	2,500 00

School repairs, order school com.	\$1,000 00
Night watch, order selectmen .	728 00
Salary mun. lt. bd., order mun.	
lt. bd.	300 00
4th District Court, order Wm. L.	
Chipman, clk.	238 74
Support of schools, order school	
committee	26,225 15
Town hall, order selectmen .	1,877 88
Salaries, order selectmen . .	2,403 38
Interest, banks	3,182 66
Soldiers' relief, order selectmen .	3,946 60
“ “ “ city of Melrose	70 00
Incidentals, order selectmen .	3,016 90
Bd. of Health, order Bd. of	
Health	513 81
Military aid, order selectmen .	1,358 00
State “ “ “ .	7,037 00
Cemetery funds, order selectmen	
and cemeteries	217 08
Herring acct., order selectmen .	172 41
Highways, “ “ .	24,595 48
Support of poor, order overseers	
of poor	8,963 36
Municipal light, order mun. lt.	
board	14,358 49
New engine, order mun. lt. bd.	2,220 15
Temporary loan, banks . . .	48,500 00
Library and licenses, J. E.	
Beals, Tr.	1,898 86
State tax, state treasurer . .	5,640 00
Nat. bank tax, state treasurer .	181 76
Abolition grade crossings, state	
treasurer	2,382 10
County tax, county treasurer .	6,100 73
Tree warden, order selectmen .	99 97
School transportation, order school	
com.	2,736 00
Painting town house, order se-	
lectmen	450 00

Concrete walks, order selectmen	\$100 00
Construction el. lt. plant, order	
mun. lt. bd.	3,228 00
Police, order selectmen . . .	397 30
Balance carried forward . . .	236 60
	<hr/> \$189,298 23

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ENOCH PRATT FUND.

1905. DR.

Jan. 1. Notes of the town of Mid-	
dleboro	\$10,000 00
Interest from municipal	
light loan	48 00
Interest from town treasurer	352 00
	<hr/> \$10,400 00

CR.

Dec. 31. Notes of the town of	
Middleboro	\$10,000 00
Paid Joseph E. Beals,	
Treasurer	400 00
	<hr/> \$10,400 00

AMOS H. EATON,
Treasurer Enoch Pratt Fund.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MUNICI- PAL LIGHT LOAN SINKING FUND.

1905. DR.

October. Cash received from town	
treasurer.	\$2,000 00

CR.

Cash paid Estabrook & Co.,
 bond No. 18 . . . \$1,000 00
 Cash paid Estabrook & Co.,
 bond No. 19 . . . 1,000 00

AMOS H. EATON,

Treasurer Municipal Light Loan Sinking Fund.

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS.

The Treasurer had deposited in the Middleboro Savings Bank, "to be held in trust forever, the interest only to be expended," the following sums, as shown by the bank books in his possession.

The books show the amounts as they stand after the October dividend has been credited, and the full amounts expended to Dec. 31, 1905, have been drawn.

Central Cemetery :

Lot	Owner.	Endowment.	Interest.
	Mrs. Sarah E. Bartlett . . .	\$100 00	\$ 92
	Andrew J. Bisbee . . .	100 00	3 99
	Samuel S. Bourne . . .	100 00	7 73
	Richard Cox . . .	25 00	60
	Lydia B. Cushing . . .	50 00	2 14
	William L. Dean . . .	100 00	13 76
	James Dowsing . . .	51 61	
	Mary E. Drake . . .	100 00	6 00
	Norton N. Fenno . . .	100 00	7 49
	Stephen B. Gibbs . . .	100 00	71
	P. B. Holmes . . .	100 00	21 30
	Jacob Johnson . . .	75 00	1 87
	B. F. Jones . . .	100 00	2 44
	Sarah P. Jones . . .	100 00	87
	Clara S. Kelley . . .	100 00	
	William A. King . . .	100 00	2 84
	Calvin D. Kingman . . .	100 00	80
	John N. Main . . .	100 00	1 32
	J. P. McCulley, lot 292 . . .	100 00	1 75

Alden Miller	\$100 00	2 91
S. B. Osborne	100 00	3 63
Alvin Pease	100 00	
Joseph L. Pease	100 00	5 32
Aaron Raymond	100 00	1 52
E. Robinson	200 00	8 58
Wm. Shiverick	150 00	13 95
Reuben Taylor	100 00	2 18
Tinkham lot, No. 6	60 00	1 56
B. F. Tripp	100 00	57
Ward lot, No. 110	100 00	3 26
Azel Washburn	100 00	8 86
Chauncey D. White	100 00	10 77
Sarah D. White	500 00	

In Nemasket Hill Cemetery :

Joshua M. Eddy	100 00	3 73
Austin Ford	50 00	1 35
Henry F. Pope	100 00	9 89
Sophronia L. Reed	50 00	7 69
Rhoda J. Savery	100 00	7 74
Charles Soule	100 00	8 30
Edmund Thompson	50 00	2 81
Oliver H. Thompson	100 00	8 03
Benjamin C. Tinkham	50 00	43
Warren lot, No. 1	50 00	2 80
Thomas Weston	150 00	7 82
Benj. P. Wood	100 00	10 86
Cornelius B. Wood	150 00	12 89
Ellen T. Wood	31 48	4 09
Priscilla Wood	50 00	13 30
Thomas Wood	100 00	6 29

In Rock Cemetery :

C. N. Atwood	100 00	11 76
Deborah Carver	100 00	4 83
Sylvester F. Cobb	100 00	10 98
Julia S. Cobb	100 00	6 61
Chas. F. Cushman	176 75	9 15

Mary B. Keith	\$75 00	3 27
A. J. Smith	50 00	1 74
H. N. Thomas and family, and W. O. Barrows and family	1,000 00	63 82
Jane A. Wood.	18 44	

In the North Middleboro Cemetery :

Jared Pratt	150 00	40 20
Everett Robinson, Alfred Eaton lot .	100 00	4 29
Roswell Waldron and Benjamin Bar- rows	150 00	55 03
Sumner Keith	100 00	87

In Thomastown Cemetery :

Atwood lot	100 00	24 92
E. Thomas lot	100 00	18 59
Thomastown Cemetery	178 00	18 63

In the Cemetery at the Green :

Lydia R. Thompson	100 00	10 34
J. B. and I. H. Thompson	100 00	46 09

In Wappanucket Cemetery :

Benj. Richmond	400 00	71 55
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In Tispaquin Street Cemetery :

Atwood and Thomas	200 00	23 57
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In Sachem Street Cemetery :

Thomas Smith	50 00	87
Gammons lot	50 87	

In South Middleboro Cemetery :

John and Henry Thomas	50 00	
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AMOS H. EATON,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

The following is an abstract from the records of the various meetings of the inhabitants of the town of Middleboro during the year 1905.

ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 6, 1905.

Called to order by the clerk, Alvin C. Howes was chosen to serve as Moderator and sworn.

Voted:— To authorize the Treasurer to hire \$45,000 in anticipation of the taxes.

Voted:— To appropriate \$2,500 for completing the preparation and the publication of the Town History and that the Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen be authorized to issue a note in a sum not exceeding twenty five hundred dollars payable in one year from the date of issue, the same to be repaid from the proceeds of the sale of the books.

Voted:— To accept the following:

LIST OF JURORS.

F. Austin G. Atwood.	Harrison W. Atwood.
Wm. F. Atwood, France st.	Otis L. Barden.
Walter L. Beals.	Grover Bennett.
John L. Benson.	Howard M. Bishop.
Joshua K. Bishop.	George F. Bryant.
Charles E. Bump.	Marshall P. Burgess.
John M. Casey.	Abisha T. Clark.
James M. Coombs.	George A. Cox.
Nathaniel S. Cushing, Jr.	Albert Deane.
Arad R. Dunham.	George A. Earle.
Lucius M. Fuller.	Morton L. Gammons.
William M. Haskins.	Thomas J. LeBaron.
Clarence E. Libby.	Adam P. McKeen.
John Merrihew.	Andrew W. Miller.
Edwin F. Witham.	Edward C. Wood.
Louis D. Churbuck.	Herbert W. Cornish.

Horace A. Vaughan.
 Charles B. Dunham.
 Luther S. Bailey.
 Robert S. Phillips.
 David G. Pratt.
 John C. Robinson.
 Henry K. W. Ryder.
 Albert T. Savery.
 Benjamin C. Shaw.
 Walter H. Smith.
 Edwin E. Soule.
 Myron R. Sturgis.
 John J. Sullivan.
 Alfred E. Thomas.
 Ichabod B. Thomas.
 John B. Thomas.
 William L. Wade.
 Seneca T. Weston.
 Warren B. Stetson.
 Isaac M. Foye.
 Charles H. Soule.
 Michael H. Kelly.
 Alvin C. Howes.
 Ernest I. Perkins.

James F. Roberts.
 Wordsworth H. Harvey.
 Charlie O. Breach.
 George H. Place.
 Luther B. Pratt.
 Charles E. Ryder.
 John H. Ryder.
 Truman C. Savery.
 Walter M. Snow.
 Orlando Soule.
 David S. Surrey.
 Charles M. Thatcher.
 Charles H. Thomas.
 James A. Thomas.
 Lazell E. Thomas.
 Asaph F. Washburn.
 George H. Wilbur.
 Charles F. Cole.
 Carlton W. Maxim.
 Thomas F. McDonald.
 Bradford Harlow.
 Leonidas Deane.
 Albert T. Westgate.

Voted:— That the Tree Warden receive the same salary as last year and be paid from the appropriation.

Voted:— To instruct the Selectmen to appoint according to Chap. 122, Sect. 18, Revised Laws, an Inspector of Wires whenever in their opinion it becomes necessary.

Voted:— That the Alewives be disposed of by auction. The Alewives were sold to Edmund Hathaway for \$55.

Voted:— That George R. Sampson, Charles N. Atwood and Cornelius H. Leonard constitute a committee to recommend such changes as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of Section 22, Chap. 34, Revised Laws and report to the adjourned meeting.

Voted:— That the proceeds of the Dog Licenses now in the hands of the Treasurer and all other licenses received the present year except such as belong to the Board of Health be

appropriated for the benefit and support of the Public Library.

The following named persons were sworn as election officers :

Walter L. Beals and Charles E. Ryder, Ballot Clerks.

Edgar D. Wood and Henry B. Schlueter, Inspectors.

Walter M. Snow and Harrison B. Caswell, Dep. Inspectors and Tellers.

Walter M. Chipman, Henry W. Sears, Zenas E. Phinney, Thomas S. Phinney, Edward H. Blake, Warren B. Stetson, Michael J. Baker, George F. Bryant, Tellers.

Isaac M. Foye, Officer.

Voting began at 11.30 a. m. and closed at 5.30 p. m.

Whole number of ballots cast 593

The Moderator declared the following to be elected :

Amos H. Eaton, as Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

Lyman P. Thomas, as Selectman for three years.

Lyman P. Thomas, as Assessor for three years.

Andrew M. Wood, as Overseer of the Poor for three years.

Elisha T. P. Jenks, as School Committee for two years.

William C. Litchfield, as School Committee for three years.

Warren H. Southworth, as School Committee for three years.

Thomas S. Hodgson, Municipal Light Com. for three years.

Bert J. Allan, Board of Health for three years.

Percy W. Keith, Auditor for one year.

Luther S. Bailey, Tree Warden for one year.

William H. Crosby, Fence Viewer for one year.

William McAllister, Fence Viewer for one year.

Louis Ritter, Fence Viewer for one year.

William M. Haskins, Fish Warden for one year.

Lyman P. Thomas, Fish Warden for one year.

Edwin F. Witham, Fish Warden for one year.

Calvin D. Kingman, Trustee Public Library for three years.

Warren H. Southworth, Trustee Public Library for three years.

Nathan Washburn, Trustee Public Library for three years.

As Constables :

Herbert L. Batchelder.

John R. Gove.

Samuel Hathaway.

Herbert L. Leonard.

Samuel S. Lovell.

John M. Luippold.

Fred C. Sparrow.

Ichabod B. Thomas.

The following appropriations were made by ballot.

Support of Schools :

Unpaid bills of 1904	\$550 00
Instruction, current expenses and superintendent's salary	24,421 00
Transportation of pupils	2,750 00
Repairs and improvements of school property	1,000 00
Salary of school committee	150 00
Support of poor	8,000 00
Soldiers' relief	3,500 00
Military aid	500 00
Town officers	2,400 00
Incidentals	2,500 00
Water supply	1,500 00
Town debt (note due Nov. 1, 1905)	5,000 00
Town debt (note due Dec. 12, 1905)	250 00
Town debt (payment on account of note extended from 1902)	1,000 00
Interest	2,500 00
Gas and Electric Lighting Plant :	
Maintenance account	None
Commissioners' salaries	150 00
Suburban lighting	400 00
Bonds due	2,000 00
Interest	2,801 34
Construction (general)	1,000 00
Construction (enclosed arc lamps and extension of street lighting)	1,500 00
Meters (purchased in 1904 and not paid for)	350 00
Meters (needed in 1905)	300 00
Board of health	450 00
Sewers	75 00
Highway department	8,500 00
Police	300 00
Night watch	750 00

Sprinkling streets	\$600 00
Tree warden's department	100 00
Town house committee (general expenses and insurance)	900 00
Town house committee (painting and repairs)	450 00
G. A. R. for Memorial Day	200 00
Public library (amount needed in addition to license monies)	200 00
Adjourned till March 15.	

MARCH 15, 1905.

The following persons were chosen Measurers of wood, lumber and bark.

James A. Thomas.	Henry W. Sears,
Edwin F. Witham.	George H. Vaughan.
Gustavus G. Andrew.	Chester E. Weston.
Ephraim H. Gammons.	Nathl. A. Shurtleff.
Albert F. Mitchell.	Curtis H. Dunham.
George E. Gove.	Charles N. Atwood.
Benjamin C. Shaw.	Isaac E. Perkins.
Charles A. Lee.	Harrison W. Atwood.
Nathan B. Maxim.	Elmer B. Cole.
Albert S. Sparrow.	Frederick K. Robbins.

Voted:— That a street sprinkling tax of \$600 be assessed upon the abutters of the streets sprinkled, the same to be committed and collected in accordance with the By-Law of the town and the proceeds be devoted to the use of the Highway Department.

Chose the following as Field Drivers and Pound Keepers :

James A. Thomas.	James A. Burgess.
Howard M. Bishop.	Charles H. Soule.
Lyman P. Thomas.	William L. Faxon.
Lucius M. Fuller.	

Voted:— That the yards of persons chosen Field Drivers shall be town pounds so long as they remain in office.

Appropriated \$100 to repair concrete walks.

George R. Sampson for the committee made the following report :

Your committee have not had time to make such investigations as will warrant them in making a complete report. Certain things have been agreed upon. We recommend that

all the gas meters be inspected, those worth repairing be repaired, the others thrown out and replaced by new ones, and that all electric lighting be metered.

The Committee's report was accepted and the committee instructed to make such further investigations as may be necessary in order to present to the town some practical method of complying with the provisions of Sections 21 and 22 of Chap. 34, R. L. : that their duties be enlarged to include a complete investigation into the condition and management of the Gas Plant to the end that the citizens may know what is necessary to be done to put the plant into permanently paying condition ; that they have access to the books and records of the Electric Light Commission, and that they have authority in the conduct of their investigations to visit such places and employ such advice as, in their opinion, will facilitate their duties, and that they report at a subsequent meeting.

Lyman P. Thomas, Daniel G. Joy, Jr. and George E. Wood were added to the committee.

The \$1500 voted for Arc Lamp and extension of street lights was voted to be raised by two notes of \$750 each due respectively Nov. 1, 1906 and Nov. 1, 1907 and the Treasurer with the approval of the Electric Light Commissioners was authorized to issue the same.

The following Committee on Appropriations to serve for the next year was chosen.

George W. Stetson.

Chester E. Weston.

Charles N. Atwood.

Augustus Pratt.

Amos H. Eaton.

Granville E. Tillson.

Voted :— That this committee shall hold hearings, have power to request heads of departments to appear before them, fix upon and recommend amount to be appropriated, which recommendations shall be printed on slips and distributed with the Town Reports, that the committee have power to fix upon times and places, when and where they shall hold their meetings and that when the recommendation is made these recommendations shall be acted upon in open town meeting.

Voted :— To raise the sum of \$70,607.34 and such other sums as may be necessary to pay the State and County taxes, to be assessed, committed and collected in accordance with the By-Laws of the town.

It was voted:— To add to the above sum \$750 for a note due March 1, 1906, and \$60 for interest on two notes issued March 1, 1905, for \$750 each.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DECEMBER 16, 1905

Warren B. Stetson was chosen Moderator and sworn.

Voted:— To accept and allow the layout of Tispaquin st. between Wareham street and Fall Brook as a town way as laid out by the Selectmen. To accept the layout of Sumner avenue as a town way as made by the Selectmen.

Appropriated \$200 for care and repair of town hall.

Appropriated \$300 for incidental expenses — both to be added to the tax of 1906. The Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen was authorized to hire the money at a rate of interest not to exceed 4%.

The record of the voting at the State Election appears below.

Precinct One.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Charles W. Bartlett	.	.	.	.	.	.	14
William H. Carroll	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Curtis Guild, Jr.	.	.	.	.	.	.	33
Willard O. Wylie	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Eben S. Draper	.	.	.	.	.	.	34
Patrick Maloney	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Henry M. Whitney	.	.	.	.	.	.	12
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	1

FOR SECRETARY.

Henry B. Little	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
William M. Olin	.	.	.	.	.	.	41
Moritz E. Ruther	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	3

FOR TREASURER.

Arthur B. Chapin	.	.	.	.	.	.	41
Joao Claudino	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Daniel F. Doherty	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	5

FOR AUDITOR.

Patrick J. Ashe	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Ambrose Miles	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Henry E. Turner	.	.	.	.	.	.	38
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	6

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

John P. Leahy	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Dana Malone	.	.	.	.	.	.	38
John W. Sherman	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	6

FOR COUNCILLOR, 1ST DISTRICT.

David G. Pratt	.	.	.	.	.	.	43
Joseph R. Smith	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	4

FOR SENATOR 2ND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

Charles H. Coulter	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
George H. Garfield	.	.	.	.	.	.	40
Patrick F. Sheehan	.	.	.	.	.	.	3
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	4

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Jabez P. Thompson	.	.	.	.	.	.	37
Lorenzo Wood	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	3

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Jere B. Howard	.	.	.	.	.	.	39
John Mann	.	.	.	.	.	.	2
Nathaniel Morton	.	.	.	.	.	.	5
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	3

Precinct Two.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Charles W. Bartlett	.	.	.	.	.	.	238
James F. Carey	.	.	.	.	.	.	8
William H. Carroll	1
Curtis Guild, Jr.	375
Willard O. Wiley	10
Blanks	12

Total	644
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FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Thomas F. Brennan	3
Eben S. Draper	346
Patrick Mahoney	7
John H. Smith	17
Henry M. Whitney	247
Blanks	24

FOR SECRETARY.

Charles C. Hitchcock	13
Jonathan S. Lewis	16
Henry B. Little	147
William M. Olin	415
Moritz E. Ruther	2
Blanks	51

FOR TREASURER.

Christopher D. Albro	18
David S. Brodeur	20
Arthur B. Chapin	409
Joao Claudino	2
Daniel F. Dougherty	142
Blanks	53

FOR AUDITOR.

Patrick J. Ashe	136
Herbert B. Griffin	24
E. O. Fredrik Hansson	3
Ambrose Miles	12
Henry E. Turner	403
Blanks	66

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Allen Coffin	31
Henry C. Hess	4
John P. Leahy	151
Dana Malone	368
John Weaver Sherman	21
Blanks	69

FOR COUNCILLOR, 1ST DISTRICT.

David G. Pratt	490
Joseph R. Smith	63
Any good Democrat	1
Blanks	90

FOR SENATOR 2ND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

Charles H. Coulter	59
George H. Garfield	401
Patrick F. Sheehan	132
Blanks	52

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

Jabez P. Thompson	314
Lorenzo Wood	293
Edward M. Tinkham	1
Blanks	36

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Jere B. Howard	411
John Mann	15
Nathaniel Morton	152
Blanks	66

NOVEMBER 13, 1905.

At this date the ballots for Lieutenant Governor were recounted by the Registrars. An error of one vote was found. One ballot had been called blank which proved to have been marked for Henry M. Whitney.

NOVEMBER 17, 1905.

On this date the clerks of Middleboro, Halifax and Plympton, met at town hall, Middleboro, to canvass the vote for Representative to the General Court in the 7th Plymouth District.

The vote stood as follows :—

	Halifax.	Plympton.	Middleboro.	Total.
Jabez P. Thompson	. 42	47	351	440
Lorenzo Wood .	. 15	10	302	327
Edward M. Tinkham	.		1	1
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Total vote was .	. 57	57	654	768

One certificate was forwarded by mail to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and one with a suitable warrant was sent to Jabez P. Thompson.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO
DURING THE YEAR 1905.

Date.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
1905		
Jan. 13	Sarah Elizabeth Alger	Fred A. and Mabel P. Wilde
18	Annie Davis Lee	George D. and Estella D. Perot
22	Mary Eva Bertha Sirois	Paul and Delia Larne
27	Amy Vigers	James J. and Amy Thomas
27	Ella Vigers	James J. and Amy Thomas
29	Felma Augustine Pratt	Herbert A. and Alice B. McPherson
30	Joseph Nazarin Brodeur	Adelard and Lucinda Dostoler
Feb. 10	Mildred Taylor Swett	Charles W. and Hannah T. Sherman
11	Hazel Viola Haskins	Charles A. and Harriet S. Hallesey
13	Paul Arthur Boutine	Adelard and Octavie Gregorie
15	Lyman Ernest Butler	Philip and Caddie M. Corson
16	Catherine Fay	Willard E. and Lizzie V. Murtagh
22	Viola Louise Wedlock	Louis C. and Mary E. Ellis
27	Eva Foster Beckwith	Harry L. and Lena A. Bryant
28	Cora Amanda Ward	Arthur Geo. and Mary B. Glissner
Mar. 9	John Gray Gammons	Lester M. and Olive Starbuck
9	Maria Verona _____	Gaetano and Desimone _____
17	Ruth Gertrude Wilbur	Irving John and Alma J. Ryder
20	Mary Agnes Courtney	Leo P. and Mary E. Keefe
20	Illegitimate	
21	Maria Duarte	Virginio and Marie Estella
21	Hazel Lavinia Chapman	Benjamin E. and Serena Wilson
Apr. 1	Philomina Lepore	Antonio and Pasqualina Filadoro
2	Benjamin Robinson Hathaway, Jr.	Benjamin R. and Angeletti Warren
6	Lillie May Shaw	William H. and Alberta F. Perry
9	Louis Falconieri	Guiseppe and Angiolina Simoni
18	Antonio Ruda	Franco and Joanna Medicus
19	Andrew Julian Alden	Arthur H. and Annie D. Shuman
28	Ruth Francis Drake	Ernest M. and Carrie Borden
29	Olive Morse Barstow	Elmer W. and Louise G. Law
29	Violet Elva Esther Flinkfelt	Jacob E. and Aina H. Carslow
May 1	Eileen Cavanaugh	Patrick J. and Mary Ellen Boehme
5	_____ Crawshaw	Benjamin and Georgianna Danforth
8	Clarence Augustus Wentworth	Frank W. and Jennie Barr
8	Flora Helen Tobey	Bertram E. and Josephine M. Bernier
12	Florence Gladys Jacques	Albert V. and Virginia Harvey
13	Roger Franklin Holmes	Arthur A. and Fanny M. White
18	Stillborn	
23	Robert George Butler, Jr.	Robert G. and Alice T. Haskell
31	_____ Turner	Alliston T. and Mary Lee
June 1	George Sherman Monroe	George I. and Florence Sherman
5	Florence Gertrude Coombs	Rex C. and Grace W. Merrihew
6	Reginald C. Seaver	Edwin N. and Susan A. Lamson
9	Grace Katherine Leonard	Frederick and Sarah Mary Standish
13	Margarette Stetson Wallace	Wilbur Shaw and Ella Hoyt Stetson

BIRTHS—Continued.

Date.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
Jun. 15	Hazel Winifred Thomas	Bertram L. and Lizzie Briggs
20	Doris Irene Perkins	Robert I. and Annie E. Plunket
22	Irving Ward Westgate	Albert T. and Maude P. Bassett
25	Lawrence Augustus Festa	Joseph and Fortunata Ravagni
25	Hugh Charles Festa	" " " "
26	Clifford Arthur Shurtleff	Arthur G. and Laura C. McLean
28	Jose da Silva, Jr.	Jose da Silva and Philomena Concessa
July 1	Harold Nielsen	Christian and Emma Neilsen
1	Henry Miller Shaw	Dana H. Shaw and Nellie W. Peckham
9	Irving Perry White	John C. and Fannie E. Churbuck
13	David Ellsworth Hinds	Herbert E. and Grace M. Baxter
26	Howard Francis Chase	Alberto F. and Elizabeth P. Messer
27	Esther Charity Haden Frost	John W. and Marian A. Thayer
29	———— Fosberg	George W. and Emma A. Sparrow
30	Mary Josephine Leahy	John J. and Ruth A. Winsper
31	Edward Leonard La Combe	John and Amanda Christina Henderson
Aug. 1	Marian Martha Flood	William and Viola L. Millard
2	Chester Harrison Rice	Lorenzo W. and Mary E. Huxley
3	Amanda Clara Robitaille	George and Exilda Lavalley
4	Arnold Linfield Thomas	Fred A. and Ruby L. Howes
8	John Martin Callan	Luke F. and Mary Ann McCarthy
8	David Gordon Osborne	William D. and Mary E. Paul
18	Mildred Arlene Butrick	William A. and Mary L. White
26	Harold Alton Shurtleff	Archie M. and Mary A. Perry
27	Henry Matthews Winterhalder	Henry R. and Mary Low
Sept. 2	Ruth Loring Thomas	George L. and Emma N. Phinney
4	Edgar Vincent Lewis	Leonard and Elizabeth Lamb
4	William da Rosa Jacinth	Jose da Rosa and Maria da Angia da Gloria
7	Alice Louise Adams	Harold H. and Alice Cornish
7	Mary Yvonne Beatrice Tetrault	Alphonse and Mary Frappier
16	———— Cullati	Dominick and Maria Tamagno
19	Jacob Johnson	Joseph Johnson and ————— Hill
20	Dea La Croix	Joseph A. and Eupheemie Bouchard
23	Austin Chapman Pearce	Albert A. and Addie M. Chapman
24	Lawrence Everett Caron	Chester and Nellie F. Peirce
24	Andrew Russell Melville	Robert W. and Minnie L. Richards
27	Maude Pratt Williams	John S. and Ruth H. Alden
Oct. 3	Hester Ellen Taylor	Albert H. and Sadie Parker
5	———— Champlin	Arthur L. and Jennie T. Finney
10	Ann De Salvo	Angelo and Orunle Dominichello
10	William Lawrence Green	William A. and Emiline Pease
15	Maria Silva	Jose da Silva and Clara Silva
16	Ralph Waldo Wilbur	Ansel C. and Mary R. Weston
17	Charlotte Mary Mildred Arsenault	Simon W. and Mary A. Sampson
19	Joseph Fredo	Frank and Francis Silva
19	Ralph Newton Bryant	George W. and Alice M. Bailey
23	Carleton William Horn	William W. and Catherine MacLean

BIRTHS—*Continued.*

Date.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
Oct. 26	Walter Carter Caswell	Harrison B. and Beatrice E. Carter
26	———— Parker	Tobias L. and Alice C. McPhee
27	———— Tripp	Herbert H. and Anna M. Sawyer
Nov. 7	Edwin Miller Ryder	Morrill S. and Susan A. Dorrance
14	———— Gregory	Bertie C. and Fanny Commeau
16	Helen Dihua Blee	Guy and Agnes Kneeland
18	———— Perkins	Frank Perkins, Jr. and Delia M. Jackson
19	Chester Marston White	Lester A. and Hattie M. Whitmarsh
24	Manuel da Rosa Dutra	Manuel da Rosa and Rosa da Gloria
Dec. 1	Illegitimate	
7	Elizabeth O'Neil	Daniel and Delia Higgins
12	Ralph Lawrence Linton	Howard A. and Lavinia M. Braddock
12	Louise Catherine McNayr	Archer A. and Bessie A. McAuley
13	Flora Alice Murrey	Joseph and Mary Louise Godbeau
17	Ruth May DeMoranville	Herbert M. and Eunice Winslow Grinnell
18	Robert Kenneth Broadbent	William and Grace Platt
25	Laura Christina Gioberti	Antonio and Carolina Mello
26	———— Weeman	Walter J. and L. Mabel Place
27	Frank Leonard Washburn	David Thomas and Florence M. Dingwell
30	Harold Marshall Babbitt	Clifton F. and Annie Marshall
1904		
Jan. 13	Anna Amanda Lewis	Leonard and Elizabeth Lamb
1900		
May 22	Davis Morton Penniman	Albert A. and Anna B. McIntosh

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO
DURING THE YEAR 1905.

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence.
Jan. 1	Cleon Forest Bryant	Middleborough
	Emily Ellis Holmes	"
12	William George Cushing	Brockton
	Bertha Hester Champlin	Middleborough
18	William John Logan	"
	Frances Mildred Cole	"
18	John Henry Covell	Sagamore
	Katherine Wilson Ryder	Rock
28	Archie Marrion Shurtleff	Middleborough
	Mary Alice Perry	"
29	Francis Whitworth	"
	Daisy Badland	New Zealand
Feb. 2	Chester Burgess Churchill	Middleborough
	Ella Rounseville Sherman	"
15	Benjamin Crawshaw	Bridgewater
	Georgianna Danforth	Middleborough
19	Alvin Day	Rock
	Josephine Statia Connell	Cambridge
22	Samuel Shaw	Middleborough
	Sarah Priscilla Knapp Ryder	"
Mar. 7	Nino Fioetti	"
	Serafina Falconieri	"
7	George W. Wilson	Fall River
	Rebecca Colprit	Freetown
12	Charles Edward Haley	Middleborough
	Helen Cushman Ryder	"
25	Benjamin F. Lane	"
	Elizabeth Nyberg	E. Boston
25	Martin Henry Rogers	Middleborough
	Adelia Nickerson Snow	"
Apr. 22	Manuel Meshal	"
	Rosie Silva	"
25	Walter Josiah Newton	Worcester
	Edith Tyler Peirce	Middleborough
26	William Chadbourne Wardwell	E. Bridgewater
	Mary Ethel Wilbur	"
26	Owen Garfield Eastman	Middleborough
	Elizabeth M. Ryersen	"
27	Nelson Augustus Manwaring	"
	Bertha Regina Ritter	"
May 5	Ralph H. Hammond	"
	Maud E. Wilbur	"
8	George Albert Shaw	"
	Annie Elizabeth Bailey	"
10	Frederick Elsworth Braley	"
	Lydia Estella Gifford	New Bedford

MARRIAGES—*Continued.*

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence.
May 18	Donald MacRae Bessie Robinson Dunham	Bridgewater Middleborough
23	Jesse Franklin Morse Alberta Littlehale	" Boston
27	Archibald Alexander McNayr Bessie Ann McAuley	Middleborough "
June 1	William North Slocum Elizabeth Bartlett	N. Middleborough Brockton
14	Marcina Francis Caldwell Nora Cooper	Middleborough "
15	Louis Charles Littlejohn Florence Adeline Weston	Taunton Middleborough
16	Henry William Forman Nellie Blanche Collier	Minnesota Middleborough
24	William Allan Butrick Mary White	" "
24	William Allerton Drew Ella Louisa Sparks	Boston "
28	Frederick Warren Barrows Ethel May Smith	Middleborough "
28	Howard Carlisle Bullock Isabella Morton Smith	Glen's Falls, N. Y. Middleborough
28	William Ewell Thayer Lillian Abbie Westgate	S. Middleborough "
28	Jesse Conrad Wilbur Grace Mildred Williamson	Middleborough "
July 1	Frank Israel Tessier Jennie May Jefferson	" "
6	John Mansfield Jennie Linwood Rogers	" "
6	Wilson Goldsmith Harlow Lucy Everett Hayward	" Halifax
10	Mason Shaw Bertha Mae Crocker	Middleborough "
12	Edgar Marshall Copeland Cinda Augusta Thomas	Brockton Middleborough
15	Ernest Everett Howard Idella May Bryant	Holbrook Middleborough
20	Walter Clifford Thomas Bertha Elwood Vaughn	" "
22	Dura Ellis Weston Mary Elwood Vaughan	" "
29	Edmund H. Roscoe Anna Franklin Lincoln	Philadelphia, Pa. N. Easton
Aug. 4	Arthur C. Perkins Flora M. Perkins	Plympton Carver
15	Arthur Earl Southworth Olive Lorette Bryant	Middleborough "

MARRIAGES—*Continued.*

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence.
Aug 19	Clifford Havlock Marshall	Middleborough
	Emily Armstrong McCrosson	"
24	Charles Albert Ruhmpohl	"
	Geneva May Whittemore	"
31	Asbur Adalrus Rowe	Bridgewater
	Mary Canfield	Middleborough
Sep. 28	Charles Augustus Fischer	Worcester
	Eva Belisle Allen	Middleborough
Oct. 1	Richard Joseph Drummond	"
	Pauline Linwood Beaton	Wareham
2	Ralph Newton Shaw	Middleborough
	Hannah Harlow Sparrow	"
4	Arthur Peirce Brooks Simmons	"
	Bessie Eleanor Hunnewell	Natick
9	John Hayes	Middleborough
	Mary Alma Young	"
10	Henry Soule	"
	Cora Frances Thompson	"
11	George Crocker	Jersey City, N. J.
	Ella Evelyn Estes	Middleborough
12	Arthur William Cunningham	"
	Alice Richmond Roberts	"
15	Nathan Pratt Richmond	Bridgewater
	Grace Evelyn Miller	"
17	Theodore Newton Wood	Middleborough
	Isabelle May Briggs	"
17	Randall Hathaway	"
	Flora Ella Chandler	Plympton
18	Charles Henry Hunter	Rock
	Ida May Taylor	Gleasondale-Stowe
18	Dwight Peirce Kinsman	Middleborough
	Mabel Jennie McLearn	"
18	Charles Henry Tripp	"
	Linnie Maria Pratt	"
18	Albert N. Peirce	Bridgewater
	Rebecca Mabel Nye	"
19	Wayne Silas Atwood	Irving
	Helen Baldwin	Middleborough
24	Dominico George Pasquerillo	"
	Caroline Letitia Lord	"
25	Richard Ernest Roeder	"
	Susie Mildred Vaughan	"
27	Benjamin Frederic Harlow, Jr.	"
	Florence Stella Pelton	W. Falmouth, Me.
27	Louis Edwin Herne	Middleborough
	Anna Elizabeth Cushing	"
28	William Henry Macomber	"
	Gertrude Louise Newcomb	Weymouth

MARRIAGES—*Continued.*

Date.	Name of Groom and Bride.	Residence.
Oct. 30	Cyrus Eugene Blackwell	Middleborough
	Anna Maria Shaw	"
31	Ralph Winston Dill	"
	Laura Catherine Thompson	"
Nov. 4	Hans Vrigel Yensen	"
	Yinsine Amalie Neilsen	"
25	Frederic Eaton Moore	"
	Lucy Mosher Hines	"
29	Leon Clemont Allen	"
	Dora Alice McFarlin	"
29	Thomas Durfee Phillips	"
	Sarah Benson	"
29	Charles Orrin Breach	"
	Lillian Anderson	"
29	Charles Henry Helmick, Jr.	Pawtucket, R. I.
	Margaret Frances Norris	Middleborough
30	Harrison Gray Otis Wetherell	Whitman
	Mary Carter	Middleborough
Dec. 9	Frederick Howard Benson	"
	Edna Frances Bryant	"
11	Frank Charles Tibbetts	"
	Lillian May Benton Hinks	"
20	Benjamin F. Bee	Harwich
	Ida Elberta Doty	"
20	Wilfred Sheldon Keyes	Middleborough
	Lena Bradford Chase	"
20	Thomas Cushman Beaton	"
	Abbie Ellen Hinds	Lakeville
20	Alexander Anderson	Brooklyn, N. Y.
	Evelyn Hilma Fagerberg	Middleborough
24	Marcus Eugene Raymond	"
	Ethel Hysler	Brockton
25	Francis A. Makepeace	"
	Sadie A. Healey	"
27	Theodore Nelson Adams	Binghamton, N. Y.
	Alma Parker Johnson	Middleborough

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO
DURING THE YEAR 1905.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 2	Alexander B. Clark	39	6	22	Tuberculosis
3	Frederic A. Thomas	58	9	7	Heart failure
4	Amelia D. Atwood	79	1	8	Apoplexy
6	Charles D. Swett	72	6	4	Cancer of stomach
11	Mercy B. Reed	82	1	10	Old age
13	Annie Maria Horn	57	—	—	Cerebral neuralgia & meningitis
14	Frances C. Weatherby	68	9	6	Cancer of stomach
17	Ephraim Hathaway	56	—	—	Suicide, shot gun discharge
27	Crescini Gola	31	11	8	Pleuro-pneumonia
27	Jane P. King	89	11	20	Carcinoma mammæ
27	William L. F. White	32	—	—	Intestinal obstruction
31	Hannah L. Fittz	90	1	23	Disease of heart, influenza
Feb. 2	Frederick Wayland Edwards	40	11	11	Suicide, shooting
5	Nellie Thompson	41	8	21	Carcinoma
5	Amos H. Alden	54	6	7	Heart disease, indigestion
6	Russell Hart	—	5	18	Congenital heart disease
7	Eliza P. Thompson	62	7	9	Chronic bronchitis
9	Earl Reginald Tallman	—	10	4	La Grippe
10	William Cady Eddy	83	8	29	Pleuro-pneumonia
10	Augusta Surrey	62	—	—	Cerebral hemorrhage
10	Hannah Taylor	72	7	12	Cancer of gall bladder and duct
14	Helen M. Sawyer	69	8	19	Liver trouble
27	Betsey Margaret Vaughan	78	—	—	Heart disease
Mar. 1	Laura J. Eaton	21	9	6	Phthisis pulmonalis
1	Florence Maria King	—	2	16	Diphtheria
4	Bessie Haley	43	6	—	Infectious pneumonia
5	John B. Fowler	62	5	7	La Grippe, Bronchitis
14	Jemima C. Tillson	83	9	15	Senile debility
	Lottie E. Smith	—	—	—	Pulmonary oedemia
18	Sarah J. Standish	46	2	—	Septic peritonitis
20	Clara A. Hathaway	60	11	9	Pneumonia
	Granville Hartwell	61	11	8	Burns, following explosion
	Serena S. Barrows	39	1	6	" " "
25	Margaret Norris	53	11	4	Interstitial nephritis
27	Eva Foster Beckwith	—	1	—	Bronchitis
Apr. 1	August Hoganson	52	—	—	Phthisis pulmonalis
2	Lillie May Pratt	24	—	28	Tuberculosis pulmonalis
8	Thomas Darling	79	3	17	Valvular heart disease
20	William W. Sampson	79	—	—	Pneumonia, senility
20	Isaac E. Macomber	77	6	4	Cerebral embolus
21	Arthur P. Ladd	52	—	—	Suicide, hanging
27	Ella Gammons	—	—	—	Nephritis
28	Amelia T. Blinkinsop	53	—	—	Organic brain disease
May 4	William S. Hines	70	4	3	Catarrhal bronchitis
16	Ebenezer H. Atwood	66	8	7	Cancer of stomach
17	Edward A. Lovell	—	—	1	Premature birth

DEATHS—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
May 18	Stillborn	—	—	—	
21	Sarah B. Jefferson	66	11	29	Cerebral hemorrhage
22	Sylvia T. Cleaves	70	—	—	“ “
26	Esther C. Dean	91	1	21	Senility
June 2	Jennie S. Gove	31	—	—	Uremic poisoning
3	Clarence W. Wood	21	—	—	Bronchitis
10	Augustus L. Thomas	58	11	5	Apoplexy
13	Reginald C. Seaver	—	—	7	Icterus
13	Sarah Hatch	41	7	3	Biliary calculi
14	Jabez Frank Smith	46	11	24	Suicide, hanging
15	Maria C. Pasquerello	45	—	—	Diabetes
15	Wilson Clarkson Ryder	64	6	14	Heart-disease
20	Elizabeth S. Washburn	76	2	17	Cerebral hemorrhage
23	Ruth D. Dunham	—	7	—	Cholera infantum
26	Elizabeth Banks	89	2	11	Mitral regurgitation
30	Albert Southworth	81	4	16	Chronic cystitis
30	John Piche	79	—	—	Fistula in ano
30	Lonzo L. Fittz	66	—	—	Terminal dementia
July 1	——— Neilsen	—	—	1	Premature birth
3	Jewett Henderson	73	—	24	Cerebral apoplexy
4	Charles F. Shaw	74	4	29	Cerebral hemorrhage
4	George E. Thrasher	60	3	17	Alcoholism
8	Mary K. Harlow	84	10	7	Cystitis
13	Alice M. Oliver	—	5	21	Erysipelas
14	Roland Pittsley	2	—	—	Measles, pneumonia
19	William Henry Thomas Clark	58	1	3	Chronic interstitial nephritis
23	Florence G. Jacques	—	2	11	Marasmus
23	Minnie E. McInness	27	10	—	Pulmonary tuberculosis
25	Ellen A. Foster	68	7	3	Tuberculosis
26	Mary Matthews	25	—	—	Chronic interstitial nephritis
30	Catherine G. Thomas	—	8	10	Cholera infantum
30	Lizzie J. P. Goodwin	46	—	22	Tumor of sigmoid flexure
Aug. 1	Caroline M. May	88	—	—	Fatty degeneration of the heart
8	Lawrence Festa	—	1	14	Indigestion and marasmus
11	Betsey Soule	88	5	—	Organic heart disease
16	Pamelia F. Wilde	63	8	20	Cerebral hemorrhage
21	Bradford Wells	—	—	10	Hemorrhage
23	Edward Haley	62	4	11	Concussion of brain, meningitis
26	Nellie Creamer	3	4	23	Convulsion
28	Hannah Jane Tripp	69	—	15	Mucor, enteritis
Sep. 4	Eliza Faucette	75	2	20	Valvular heart disease
5	Thomas McBarron	72	—	3	Arterio sclerosis
11	Bridget McBarron	75	1	7	Varicose ulcers
14	Edward F. Boucher	16	3	7	Diabetes
20	Mary A. Godbout	50	—	—	Cancer of stomach and uterus
22	Wallace B. Spooner	6	6	3	Drowning
24	Nancy H. Sears	69	1	12	Essential anemia
25	Arthur Eugene Cosseboom	51	7	29	Tabes dorsalis

DEATHS—Continued.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Sep. 28	Lloyd N. Butterworth	69	8	5	Apoplexy
29	Andrew R. Melville	—	—	5	Indigestion, convulsions
Oct. 1	Catherine Hollihan	74	—	—	Senility
2	Austin Chapman Pearce	—	—	10	Meningitis
4	Mary J. Allan	—	—	—	Apoplexy
5	———— Champlin	—	—	1	Premature birth
6	William Boucher	77	4	—	Arterio sclerosis
6	Emily Louise Crane	89	4	21	Intestinal obstruction
7	Carl Ludwig Rudolph	72	—	22	Suicide by hanging
17	Cynthia Susan Sutcliffe	60	1	3	Heart disease
20	Samuel Butterworth	61	6	—	Pneumonia
30	Louis Perry	57	—	—	Peritonitis
31	C. C. Hebert	41	—	—	Alcoholism
Nov. 1	Stanley Lester Porter	25	8	11	Consumption
2	Seth Elisha Stevens	65	6	12	Bronchitis
3	Donald Francis Cornell	1	3	9	Pneumonia
5	Virtue M. Penniman	86	—	28	Cystitis
10	Charles M. Wilbur	74	1	30	Cerebral Apoplexy
14	Manuel Zebal	3	11	—	Follicular tonsilitis
21	Florence E. Tribou	14	9	3	Accidental burns
23	Bradford G. Harlow	87	2	27	Valvular disease of heart
25	Irma R. Eldridge	—	5	25	Marasmus
28	Clarinda Leach	85	—	11	Influenza
Dec. 2	David Ashel Tucker	68	11	1	Gastric carcinoma
3	Caroline M. Fairbanks	79	8	21	Abscess in groin
4	John Armstrong	68	—	—	Uremia
5	Nancy J. Bond	88	5	3	Accidental fall
9	Catherine W. McCormick	76	8	5	Old age
11	Andrew Jackson Lincoln	84	8	10	Apoplexy
15	George Washington Whitten	66	1	15	Heart disease
15	Thalia Weston Stetson	64	7	13	Cancer, intestinal obstruction
16	Elizabeth Jane Briggs	34	5	—	Intestinal obstruction
17	Kathryn Crosby	8	—	2	Tubercular meningitis
17	Elnora Leonard	49	2	9	Interstitial nephritis
19	Mercy O. Eldridge	80	10	—	Heart disease
20	Myra Allen Andrews	77	9	17	“ “
21	William Wilson Shaw	61	7	28	Pneumonia
22	James W. Eldridge	1	10	29	Scald
24	Abbie Woodward	39	2	8	Diabetes mellitis
25	Susan H. Cassidy	47	6	5	Alcoholism
28	Susan Robinson Thomas	16	—	—	Typhoid fever
31	John McNally	55	6	19	Essential anemia
31	Job Braley	76	10	—	Sepsis, cystitis

Summary.

From the records of marriages, births and deaths, recorded during the year 1905.

Number of marriages recorded	89
Number of marriage licenses granted	79
Oldest groom	70
Oldest bride	51
Youngest groom	20
Youngest bride	16
First marriage of	153
Second marriage of	23
Third marriage of	2

BIRTHS.

Number recorded	112
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DEATHS.

Number recorded	137
Number occurring in town	100
Males	63
Females	74
Under one year	18
Between 1 and 10 years	7
Between 10 and 20 years	3
Between 20 and 30 years	6
Between 30 and 40 years	7
Between 40 and 50 years	11
Between 50 and 60 years	14
Between 60 and 70 years	26
Between 70 and 80 years	25
Between 80 and 90 years	16
Between 90 and 100 years	2
Age unknown	2

DOGS.

Number licensed in 1905	602
Males	555
Females	47

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1905 :

The following is a classified list of complaints received by the Board.

Rubbish	22
Overflowing cesspools	55
Defective drains	17
Unclean premises	12
Hog pens	8
Offensive privies	19
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CARE OF OUR GUTTERS.

There has been a decided improvement during the last year. The Board decided to place some barrels upon our streets to be used by our merchants and also for persons that go to the post-office and stores and open their letters from the office, their parcels from the store and throw their paper and envelopes upon the street. They seemed to look with wonder at those shiny barrels and wondered what they were for. We had them lettered and they gradually began to learn and are now doing quite well. There has been but one disturbed which was the one placed upon Centre street. A certain person thought it would look better on his ash heap ; he went and dumped it there. The writer of this article was obliged to go and get it. I then got a chain, staple and padlock and made it fast to an electric light pole and as long as such persons are allowed to live in a civilized community the town will have to buy a padlock now and then.

The town owns a cart for cleaning gutters ; it never has been used but one year ; it should be used as a matter of less expense ; it should come under the Board of Health and money enough should be appropriated for the same.

THE PUBLIC DUMP.

The town never has been obliged to pay for a hole to fill up and yet persons will go and think that hole is to be left and they dump around it. I want them to understand that the hole is to be filled up and unless people dump where they ought to the town will very soon be without a public dump.

BAKERIES.

The bakeries have been examined as required by law and have been found as usual in a clean and neat condition.

MILK.

Whilst other towns and cities have had much trouble on the milk question I think that our milk on the whole is still improving. More care has been used in the handling and carrying of the milk, glass jars have taken the places of cans, and wooden stopples and cans seldom ever appear. Glass jars that you see on the steps as a rule have been washed which is a decided improvement.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

There have been during the past year thirty-two cases of contagious diseases, twenty-four of scarlet fever, one of meningitis, four of typhoid fever, and two deaths, and three diphtheria cases.

SPITTING.

The board had a polite invitation to come into Boston to listen to an address to the Local Board of Health by Dr. Durgin of Boston. Most of his address was on spitting and the danger that comes from it and I should like to have had the whole town there to see if they would do better. Our constables to-day don't seem to recognize but one crime and that is drunkenness, and when an officer will stand upon the sidewalk and spit his own filth what can you expect of the ordinary man.

TUBERCULOSIS.

CONSUMPTION, AND HOW TO PREVENT IT.

Consumption causes more than a thousand deaths in Boston every year. But able physicians tell us that, if we follow certain directions, we can help to stamp out this disease.

Consumption is not inherited. It does not belong to our climate. It is very often cured. It is actually on the decrease.

Consumption is usually carried by the poison which comes from the consumptives' sputum, or spit. Sick persons should take care to burn their spit, or put it into the water-closet.

The trouble now is that consumptives spit upon the floor or in the street.

The poisonous sputum then dries, and goes as dust into other people's lungs. A little spit is enough, when scattered in dust, to infect dozens of people.

THINGS BAD FOR WEAK LUNGS.

Dust and smoky or dusty places are bad. Dark, damp, or crowded rooms are bad.

Dirty shops and stores, dirty saloons and dance-halls, dusty kinds of business, like marble-cutting, sorting feathers, or making cigars, are bad for weak lungs. To sit bent over one's sewing or other work is bad.

Self-indulgence and intemperance are very bad. Vice which weakens the strong kills the weak.

THINGS GOOD FOR WEAK LUNGS.

Fresh air in plenty prevents consumption. Sunshine kills the germs.

Choose sunny rooms. Open the windows and let the air in. Keep the house clean. If a consumptive has moved out of a room, have the Board of Health disinfect it.

Be in the open air as often as can be. Outdoor work is vastly better than indoor work. Keep your feet dry.

Breathe with deep, long, full breaths, so as to carry the fresh air to every corner of your lungs. Do this always for

several minutes in the morning and at night. Breathe through the nostrils, and not through the open mouth.

Spend your money for simple and well-cooked food,—good fresh meat, eggs, oatmeal, rice, and other vegetables, and for bread and butter, milk, and fruit.

Do not spend money for beer or other liquors, or for quack medicines, or “cures.”

Live a regular life, and keep the bowels regular. Get plenty of sleep.

Daily bathing is good.

Keep clean company and a clear conscience.

Courage is very important.

SPECIAL CARE OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD AND CHILDREN.

Do not sleep in the same bed with a consumptive.

Whenever any one of your family has been ill, or seems weak or run down, build up the strength at once with nourishing food, extra rest and sleep, and fresh air.

If one has a bad cold or a cough, and it does not grow better very soon, go at once for a physician. Don't wait till it is too late.

The doctor is worth ten times as much to help ward off disease as he is to cure it.

THE CARE OF OUR SCHOOLS.

The care of our schools has continued as usual and we still believe that much good results from the same. We have the co-operation of the superintendent, committee and teachers.

INSPECTION OF DRESSED BEEF.

The work with every year seems to increase; when the inspection became a law we had one licensed slaughter house, we now have six. The inspector has examined over six hundred hogs this year and sixty beef and condemned one.

CLOSE OF THE YEAR.

And in conclusion as I sit down to write my annual report and review the work of the year and with new things and new work to do, I feel that I have done as well as can be done within the means that I have to work with.

JAMES A. BURGESS.

Below are the expenses for the year 1905 :

Bert J. Allan, for services	\$25 00
C. W. Maxim, for one wagon body	50 00
So. Mass. Tel. Co.	20 50
Edward Beach, care of public dump	11 67
Edwin McQuiggen	3 33
Austin J. Peters, stamp outfit	1 75
Melvin & Badger, for formaldehyde	4 85
Ferdinand C. Landgrebe, for labor	3 00
George Card, for burying animal	1 00
Wood & Tinkham, printing	1 75
P. R. Harlow, lettering barrels	3 00
Matthew Cushing, lime	3 02
Bryant & Soule	2 00
Clara G. Thomas, clerical work	3 00
J. & G. E. Doane, for one brass sprayer	0 85
James A. Burgess, 76½ days labor at \$3 00 per day	229 50

Expenses for contagious diseases :

J. F. Shurtleff, M. D., for medical attendance	\$7 50
Smith & Hathaway, for disinfectants	1 90
Taylor, formaldehyde, formaldehyde outfit	2 90
M. H. Cushing & Co.	10 75
James A. Burgess, for services	100 50
James A. Burgess, for expenses	26 04

Total amount	\$513 85
Balance from last year	\$49 24
Appropriation	450 00
Melvin & Badger	0 10
Licenses	17 00
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	\$516 34
Balance	2 49

VALUATION OF PROPERTY.

Night soil cart	\$75 00
Cart cleaning gutters	10 00
Formaldehyde fluid lamp	35 00
Two iron barrels and tools	22 50
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	\$142 50

BERT J ALLAN,
THOMAS S. HODGSON,
JAMES A. BURGESS,

Board of Health.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

In this my fourth report as auditor of the town of Middleboro I wish to state that I find the same lax and careless methods in some departments as in the past, although there have been improvements in some things. I referred to this in my last report, and have made suggestions which will result in further improvement. The Treasurer's payments are properly vouched, and the correct cash is on hand.

Chapter 322, Acts and Resolves of 1904 reads in part "It shall be the duty of City and Town Auditors at least once every year to audit the accounts of the trustees of any property, the principal or income of which was bequeathed or given in trust for the benefit of the city or town, and to examine the funds, securities and evidences of property held by such trustees. City and Town Auditors shall include in their annual reports a report of such auditing and investigation." In compliance with the above I have audited the accounts of the Trustees of the Peirce Estate, and find them all right, all payments having the proper voucher for the same.

I have inventoried the securities, and find the personal property held by said trustees as follows:

Stocks	\$317,627 66
Bonds	73,506 77
Bills Receivable	55,436 56
Saving Banks	3,000 00
Other holdings including cash	14,680 29
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Total	\$464,251 28

PERCY W. KEITH,

January, 1906.

Auditor.

REPORT OF MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT.

To the honorable board of Gas and Electric Commissioners:

I herewith submit the twelfth annual report of the plant for the year ending December 31, 1905.

The total number of customers on the above date was 283 against 263 last year, divided as follows: electric 165; gas 43; electric and gas, 75, a gain of twenty customers during the year.

The total sales for the year were \$15,066 25, as follows:

Commercial electric	. \$5,581 88
Domestic electric .	. 2,678 12
Commercial arc .	. 1,687 00
Gas . . . .	. 3,568 11
Jobbing . . . .	. 1,551 14

The increase over 1904 sales as follows:

Commercial electric	. \$341 13
Domestic electric .	. 240 47
Commercial arc .	. 152 58
Gas . . . .	. 197 60

The 5 per cent discount allowed for prompt payment was \$560 51

Last July the open street arcs were replaced by the enclosed arcs and to confirm the statement made last year that there would be a saving by so doing, wish to state that for the last six months of 1905 there was used for enclosed arcs 254 carbons, at a cost of \$7 43 against 3,706 carbons at a cost of \$33 77 for a corresponding period of 1904 with the open arc, together with a saving of about \$10 00 per week in wages for care of lights. Two arc lamps have been added, one at the corner of Grove and Main streets and one at the corner of N. Main and E. Main streets, replacing the clusters of incandescents.

Poles have been set for the extension of the incandescent street lights on Everett street and cross-arm purchased for the extension of light on S. Main street to the R. R. bridge but not having money to purchase wire at that time and at the present price of wire, namely $21\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound, do not think it advisable to expend money for that purpose, which if put into meters, would materially increase the income of the plant.

In relation to the gas, there is not much to say, except the necessity of larger mains and some other process of manufacture, whereby gas can be sold at a lower rate and the extension of mains to parts of the town where there might be some who would take gas for heating and cooking purposes.

It is sincerely hoped that the present investigating committee will recommend to the town a change at that end which will be for the better.

189 meters are now installed. The income could be materially increased by the installation of about fifty more if the same could be procured. The cost of meters, owned by the town up to the present time has been \$3,037 79, all of which, with the exception of \$489 19, has come out of the appropriation for construction, thereby reducing that appropriation intended for new work, and consequently the outside construction has suffered to that extent.

Inasmuch as the contract system has been abused in the past, and believing that the most equitable plan for the consumer and the plant, is that all consumers should have meters and that if necessary a sliding scale should be established, would recommend an appropriation of \$650 00 separate from the construction account to be used exclusively for the purchase and installation of electric meters.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that the generator used for the commercial and domestic lighting is now overloaded and the odor of burning shellac caused by the excessive heating of the coils emphasizes the fact that some Saturday or Monday night during the heavy load the machine will give out and then the consumers will not be as well off as when the steam engine broke down last November.

The breaking of the steam engine ought to bring more forcibly to the attention of the voters the necessity of some spare motive power at the electric plant.

Had it not been for the much slandered gas engine at that time the commercial as well as the domestic lighting would have been out during the repairing of the steam engine.

The management still have unbounded faith in the producer gas outfit as outlined in last year's report, and perhaps more after hearing the results and reports from plants installed during the last year.

As the accident to the steam engine was one that could not be foreseen, consequently could not be prevented, and the expense of repairing same was extraordinary repairs, such a large amount should not be expected to come out of the income, therefore think the sum of \$325 00 should be appropriated to cover the same.

There has been laid from the gas house to the Geo. E. Keith Co.'s new factory a new gas main of 593 feet of 4 in. pipe and 682 feet of 3 in. pipe, with fittings and valves for the continuance of main on Centre street, west of Lane street and other streets which it now passes and also fittings opposite each house.

The total expense will be about \$700 00.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

BONDS.

1905.			1905.		
Mar. 6	Appropriation	\$2,000 00	Dec. 31	Expended	\$2,000 00

NOTES.

1905.			1905		
Mar. 6	Appropriation	\$5,000 00	Dec. 31	Expended	\$5,000 00
" 15	"	750 00	"	Balance	750 00
		<u>\$5,750 00</u>			<u>\$5,750 00</u>

INTEREST.

1905.			1905.		
Jan. 1	Balance	\$33 33	Dec. 31	Expended	\$2,890 23
Mar. 6	Appropriation	2,861 34	1906.		
		<u>\$2,894 67</u>	Jan. 1	Balance	4 44
					<u>\$2,894 67</u>

COMMISSIONERS' SALARY.

1905.			1905.		
Jan. 1	Balance	\$150 00	Dec. 31	Expended	\$300 00
Mar. 6	Appropriation	150 00			
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		\$300 00			\$300 00

GAS ENGINE ACCOUNT.

1905.			1905.		
Jan. 1	Balance	\$2,276 35	Dec. 31	Expended	\$2,220 15
			1906.		
			Jan. 1	Balance	56 20
		<hr/>			<hr/>
		\$2,276 35			\$2,276 35

SUBURBAN LIGHTING ACCOUNT.

1905.			1905.		
Jan. 1	Balance	\$69 62	Dec. 31	Expended	\$391 63
Mar. 6	Appropriation	400 00	1906.		
		<hr/>	Jan. 1	Balance	77 99
		\$469 62			<hr/>
					\$469 62

DRAINAGE ACCOUNT.

1905.			1906.		
Jan. 1	Balance	\$300 00	Jan. 1	Balance	\$300 00

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

1905.			1905.		
Jan. 1	Balance	\$161 92	Dec. 31	Expended	\$3,228 00
Mar. 6	Appropriation	3,150 00	1906.		
		<hr/>	Jan. 1	Balance	83 92
		\$3,311 92			<hr/>
					\$3,311 92

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

			1905.		
			Dec. 31	Expended	\$14,358 49
1905.			1906.		
Jan. 1	Bal. Town Treas.	\$418 57	Jan. 1	Bal. Town Treas.	21 74
	Cash in office	49 10		Cash in office	449 00
Dec. 31	Gas income	3,429 46			
	C. I. "	5,063 50			
	D. I. "	2,536 26			
	C. A. "	1,491 48			
	Jobbing income	1,700 86			
	Sale of old dynamo	100 00			
	Sale of old boiler	40 00			
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		\$14,829 23			\$14,829 23

Appropriations needed for 1906 :

Commissioner's salary .	\$150 00
Suburban lighting .	450 00
Bond	2,000 00
Note	5,000 00
Note	750 00
Note	750 00
Interest	2,709 22
Construction . .	1,000 00
Electric meters needed	650 00
Repair steam engines .	325 00
New gas main . .	700 00

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. PHILBROOK,

General Manager and Superintendent.

We accept the report of the General Manager as submitted and endorse the recommendations made by him.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. MILLER,
HENRY W. SEARS,
T. S. HODGSON,

Commissioners.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Trustees of the Public Library

For the Year 1905.

The second year of the Library in the new building has been a very active one, and the work has seemed to meet the popular appreciation. The Library staff, as at present constituted, consists of Mrs. Adelaide K. Thatcher, librarian; Misses Alice M. Alden, Florence A. Robinson, Marion K. Tillson and Mary M. Eddy, assistants.

The Library is open every week day (except holidays) from 2 to 9 o'clock in the afternoon, and on Sundays from 2 to 7 o'clock afternoons.

The Library holds a membership in the Library Art Club, from which it receives pictures, artistic and illustrative, which are hung upon the walls of the Art Gallery. The pictures are changed once in three or four weeks, and are very interesting collections, which the public is invited to examine and enjoy without charge.

An exhibition of photographs by local amateurs and others is contemplated for the coming year, and it is desired that all persons interested in such an exhibition confer as early as possible with Dr. E. S. Hathaway of the Board of Trustees.

The work of the Library is told in the Report of the Librarian.

The Report of the Treasurer gives the receipts and disbursements for the year, which, we think, have been made with the strictest regard for economy. The coal bills represent the amounts paid for coal consumed in 1905, and for the supply put in for 1906. The lighting bill for December and some other bills belonging in 1905 had not been presented at the date of this Report and consequently had not been paid.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Trustees of the Middleboro Public Library:

Gentlemen—Herewith is submitted the thirty-second annual report, which is a record of the second year's work in the new building; that the Library is more and more appreciated is evident from the increased circulation, and the greater number of persons who are using the reading rooms and reference books.

The circulation of books for home reading during the year, amounted to 49,336 volumes, a gain of 4,926 over last year. Of these, 30,119 were fiction, and 19,217 non-fiction; in the latter class are all books not strictly "stories". The largest daily circulation was 396, and the smallest 36.

Volumes Added.

The total number of additions were 812 exclusive of State documents and reports. Many valuable works of reference have been added; among them may be mentioned Sargent's *Silva* of North America, in 14 volumes; *Historian's History of the World*, 25 volumes. Lamb's *Biographical dictionary of the U. S.*, 7 volumes; *Library of Literary Criticism of English and American Authors*, 8 volumes; *International Library of Famous Literature*, 20 volumes; *The World's Best Poetry*, 10 volumes; *Cyclopedia of Applied Electricity*, 5 volumes; *Century Dictionary of Music*, 20 volumes, and the Audubon books, 7 volumes, which were purchased from the Peirce estate. Twenty-one volumes are worn out and have been discarded;

as far as possible they will be replaced. The Library now numbers 13,591 volumes counting the public documents.

Binding.

There have been rebound 318 books, and the leading magazines of 1903 and '04. At present, 150 volumes and magazines are at the bindery.

Registration.

The total number of town residents enrolled as borrowers of the Library, from the opening of the new building to date is 1,949. Of these 410 have drawn cards this year. Nearly all of the teachers have special cards, with which they can take as many books as they wish for school work.

Reading Room.

This department still continues the Sunday opening from 2 until 7 P. M. There are about 80 magazines, leading daily and weekly newspapers, 7 religious weeklies which came to us as gifts. Several new periodicals will be added the coming year.

Young People's Room.

Almost in the light of an experiment for our library, it has grown to be a great success; Saturdays, particularly, it is hardly large enough to accommodate all who wish to read or select books. 18,540 volumes have been drawn on cards from this room alone; 11,374 fiction, and 7,166 non-fiction. The addition of new books the coming year will necessitate moving some of the older volumes into the main stack room.

A pleasant feature of many up-to-date libraries is the talks and story telling given to the children for an hour Saturday afternoon; these are almost always given by volunteer friends, and have proved to be most attractive. I am sure there are many young women in our town who could do this in a charming manner. The Library manage-

ment would be glad to receive any suggestions in regard to the matter. Any suggestion toward a wider scope of usefulness will always be welcomed. The Library aims to offer a steady, attractive influence towards reading, and toward the worth while in books. It should have some of the critical faculty of the book reviewer in its selection and recommendation of books, some of the business advertising methods in making its findings known to its readers, and much of the sympathy of a friend in directing the attention of the needy person to the right lines of reading.

Gifts.

U. S. Life-Saving Reports. E. T. Jenks.
 Medford, Past and Present. George Brayton.
 History of Turner, Me. H. S. Sylvester.
 Genealogical Advertiser and N. E. Register, 5 vol.
 Joseph E. Beals.
 Southworth Genealogy. W. H. Southworth.
 Reports from Smithsonian Institute, &c. John Murdoch.
 Nine vols. Vital Records from the Secretary of State.

I would thank all who have in any way contributed toward the success of the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

ADELAIDE K. THATCHER.

Jan. 1, 1906.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

GENERAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

On hand January 1, 1905	.	.	.	.	\$57 92
Received "dog licenses"	.	.	.	.	1,119 86
"other licenses"	.	.	.	.	166 85
interests on deposits	.	.	.	.	4 69
Enoch Pratt fund	.	.	.	.	400 00
town appropriation	.	.	.	.	200 00
finer, etc., at library	.	.	.	.	36 50
old furniture sold	.	.	.	.	2 50
H. C. Beals fund	.	.	.	.	52 00
					<hr/>
					\$2,040.32

Paid Librarian	.	.	.	.	\$450 00	
assistants	.	.	.	.	371 10	
janitor	.	.	.	.	424 50	
for coal	.	.	.	.	370 24	
lighting bill	.	.	.	.	280 41	
telephone	.	.	.	.	17 61	
express bills	.	.	.	.	6 50	
insurance	.	.	.	.	50 70	
work on lot and lawn	.	.	.	.	15 90	
repairs, supplies, stationery, printing, etc.	.	.	.	.	53 36	
					<hr/>	\$2,040 32
Balance	.	.	.	.	.	<hr/>\$0,000 00

PEIRCE BOOK FUND.

On hand January 1, 1905	.	.	.	.	\$52 07	
April 1. Received from Peirce Trustees	.	.	.	.	958 37	
for book sold	.	.	.	.	1 00	
October 3. Received from Peirce Trustees	.	.	.	.	1,003.85	
					<hr/>	\$2,015 29
Paid for books	.	.	.	.	\$1,483 63	
papers and magazines	.	.	.	.	211 16	
binding and rebinding	.	.	.	.	177 75	
art club	.	.	.	.	10 00	
express	.	.	.	.	6 95	
engravings	.	.	.	.	3 00	
Library of Congress cards	.	.	.	.	25 00	
					<hr/>	\$1,917 49
Balance January 1, 1906	.	.	.	.	.	<hr/>\$97 80

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. BEALS,

Secretary and Treasurer.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, 1905-1906.

David G. Pratt	.	.	.	.	Term expires	1906
Kenelm Winslow	.	.	.	.	" "	1906
Joseph E. Beals, Secretary	.	.	.	.	" "	1906
George Brayton	.	.	.	.	" "	1907
Edward S. Hathaway	.	.	.	.	" "	1907
Andrew M. Wood	.	.	.	.	" "	1907
Calvin D. Kingman, President	.	.	.	.	" "	1908
W. H. Southworth	.	.	.	.	" "	1908
Nathan Washburn	.	.	.	.	" "	1908

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE
TOWN OF MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS.,

FOR 1905.



MIDDLEBORO, MASS.:
MIDDLEBORO GAZETTE OFFICE.

1906.

TOWN OF MIDDLEBORO.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Feb. 1, 1906.

Voted: That the reports of the Superintendent of Schools, Principal of the High School, Supervisors of Music and Drawing, be adopted and presented to the town by the School Board.

CHARLES H. BATES,

Secretary.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Organization, 1905-1906.

REV. W. C. LITCHFIELD, *Chairman.*

CHARLES H. BATES, *Secretary.*

Members.

WILLIAM A. ANDREWS, 57 So. Main Street, Term expires 1906

NATHAN WASHBURN, 70 So. Main Street, Term expires 1906

E. T. P. JENKS, 26 North Main Street, Term expires 1907

CHARLES S. TINKHAM, Pleasant Street, Term expires 1907

REV. W. C. LITCHFIELD, 1 Southwick Street, Term expires 1908

WARREN H. SOUTHWORTH, 7 West Street, Term expires 1908

Superintendent of Schools.

CHARLES H. BATES, 103 So. Main Street.

Telephone, 46-5.

Office, Room 7 Town Hall.

Telephone, 45-6.

Office Hours, school days: Mondays and Fridays, 4 to 5 P. M.;

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 to 9 A. M.;

Wednesdays, 6.30 to 7.30 P. M.

Regular meetings of the Committee are held in Room 7 Town Hall, on the first Thursday of each month, at 8.00 P. M.

All bills against the school Department should be sent to the Secretary's office not later than the Wednesday preceding the first Thursday of each month.

Sub-Committees.

High, Union Street and West Side Schools, W. H. SOUTHWORTH

Forest Street, Rock, South Middleboro and Highland Schools,

REV. W. C. LITCHFIELD

School Street, Fall Brook, Wappanucket and Marion Road Schools,

NATHAN WASHBURN

Waterville, Green and Thomastown Schools, WILLIAM A. ANDREWS

Pleasant Street, Plymouth Street and Purchase Schools,

CHARLES S. TINKHAM

Nemasket, Thompsonville and Soule Schools, E. T. P. JENKS

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TWENTY-FIRST IN THE SERIES.

MIDDLEBORO, MASS., Jan. 13, 1906.

To the School Committee of Middleboro :

In compliance with your regulations I respectfully submit to you and to the citizens of Middleboro my fifth annual report of the condition and needs of the schools of the town.

Enrollment and Attendance.

The total number of pupils enrolled for the year was 1,368, a loss of 8; the average membership 1,211, an increase of 23; the average daily attendance 1,133, an increase of 38; the percentage of daily attendance to average membership 93.5; an increase of 1.3.

The percentage of daily attendance last year was the highest in the history of the schools. For the first time for years, if ever before, the suburban schools reached a percentage of over 90. The banner system introduced a year ago last September to stimulate attendance in the suburban schools contributed in a great degree in reaching this gratifying record. What is possible to do in thus creating an interest where teacher, parents and pupils are enthusiastic in this matter, is well illustrated by the record of the smallest school in town—the Thompsonville school. This school has an enrollment of 12 pupils and was not closed the last term, except for legal holidays and conventions.

Its record by months was as follows: Sept., 99.71; Oct., 96.75; Nov., 99.16; Dec., 95.83.

Its percentage of attendance for the term was 98.5. I doubt if many rural schools in the state can show as good a record.

We have given up the banner system and are now offering more substantial rewards for attendance. The suburban schools are now divided into two divisions—one comprising those schools with an average membership of 25 or more, and the other those with an average membership of less than 25. For the best attendance for December, a geographical outfit was given. The Green school secured the honor in the first division and the Thompsonville school in the second. For the best attendance in January a globe and map are to be given. The object of the incentives is the forming of habits of punctuality. Pupils who form the habit of attending school regularly will carry that habit into the affairs of life after leaving school.

School Accommodations.

The coming of a new industry to town which will ultimately bring a large number of families into the place, presents a serious problem as to what shall be done with the children who will seek admission to our schools. If many of our school rooms were not *now* seated to their fullest capacity, the problem would not be so serious. Already, even with no further increase, it is a question how we can grade the schools so they shall not be overcrowded next September. The West Side school must be regraded to accommodate even the present membership. This will be done by placing in room two—which now has grades three, four and five—only grades three and four, and changing room three from a two-grade room to a three-grade room. This will nearly fill every seat in these rooms, leaving but little room for pupils to be transferred from the other Central schools. We cannot look to much relief to the West Side building for the overcrowded Central schools, as we have for the past four years.

Two years ago the fourth grade in the immediate center, on account of the number being smaller than usual, was divided into two fourth grades and placed in the two small recitation rooms in Union street building. The present year the same plan was continued. Next year on account of a larger third grade, now numbering 72—and a constant addition being

made to the fourth grade by pupils from other towns moving here, this plan will have to be changed. What may have to be done is to take one of the large rooms in this building for the fourth grade and the other for either the fifth or sixth grades. This will necessitate a new room for one of these grades. For immediate relief it may be necessary to build a portable school building. The best plan for meeting the conditions soon to exist would be the erection of a new High school building. The High school is growing rapidly and with more pupils in our schools is sure to grow faster in the future than in the past. The school needs a building equipped for carrying on its work under better conditions. It needs better laboratories, a large assembly hall for music work, rhetorical exercises and lectures, a room equipped for advanced work in drawing, a room fitted for a first class commercial course, a basement suitable for maintaining a good lunch room, more rooms for recitation work than the present building will be able to furnish in a few years. The town will greatly benefit its educational facilities by erecting a suitable High school building convenient for all High school work and commodious enough for many years. If this is done I would recommend that the ninth grades in the Elementary schools be placed under the supervision of the High school, and their work be made a part of the High school work, making the elementary course eight years instead of nine. This would relieve the suburban schools of this grade, increasing the efficiency of those schools. The present High school building would then accommodate eight grades with a master in charge. The other school buildings at the center could take care of any overflow. The West Side school could be graded with two grades to each room. This plan would give adequate school accommodations for many years. The placing the ninth grades as part of the High school is successfully carried out in such progressive places as Plymouth, Arlington and Gardner in this state. It seems an excellent plan for perfecting a system of schools. The present membership of the larger schools in the three central buildings is as follows:

1st grade	50	2nd grade	50	3rd grade	72
4th	62	5th	59	6th	55
7th	52	8th	43	9th	47

Based on the present membership and not considering the cases of non promotion the enrollment in the central grades in the School street, Union street and Main street buildings next September would be as follows :

Grade 2,	50	Grade 6,	59
“ 3,	90	“ 7,	55
“ 4,	72	“ 8,	52
“ 5,	62	“ 9,	50

These buildings are taken because here is where the congestion will be if there is any increase of membership in the immediate central schools. The fact these schools even now are increasing in membership by the enrollment of new pupils emphasizes the urgent need of some immediate action on the part of the town, looking towards more adequate school accommodations.

I would suggest that a committee be appointed to look into the matter of future school accommodations and report at the adjourned town meeting in March. To meet the anticipated overflow next fall it may be advisable to erect a portable building near the town house in which the sixth grade and a mixed school of the other grades from the overflow of these central schools can be carried on. This portable building should be large enough for a main room and a recitation room, capable of seating 75 pupils and probably would cost \$2,500.00. The other alternative if the central membership increases would be half sessions for those rooms too small to accommodate all their pupils—half of the pupils attending the school in the morning and the other half in the afternoon. The school day in such grades would be six hours. The need of doing something for better accommodations is imperative and should be looked into at once.

High School.

The High School continues to grow both in numbers and in efficiency. Its total enrollment last year was 200. The school has been indeed fortunate in keeping at its head for so long a period such an excellent instructor and disciplinarian. Last June Mr. Sampson completed his fifteenth year

of service as principal. He has witnessed a remarkable growth in the school in that time, but no more remarkable we believe than what the future will show. The spirit of teachers and pupils was never better than today. The conscientious efforts and loyalty to the principal, of the assistants are characteristics which have aided the development of the school. The school has an excellent standing among the colleges of New England and other portions of the country and its graduates have entered those institutions well fitted for collegiate work. A new building, better equipment, broader courses of study, a larger corps of teachers would still further add to its great usefulness as an educational institution.

The trustees of the Peirce fund have given \$800.00 for salaries in this school, paying the full salary of one teacher and one hundred dollars towards the salary of another teacher.

Central Schools.

The membership of the Central schools is increasing each year. It will soon be a serious problem to adjust the work in the several grades that there may be no loss in efficiency. Already a number of the grades are too large for one teacher. The departmental plan of work in the Main street grammar school has been replaced by regular grade work, each teacher remaining in her own room and doing the work of that grade. While under certain conditions the departmental plan may work advantageously yet its results are not as satisfactory as those obtained under the one room plan. Rhetorical exercises have been made a part of the work for the ninth grades. I am a great believer in this kind of work and hope to see it strongly carried on. If public exercises could be held from time to time pupils would gain confidence in public speaking. The four hour plan was adopted for the primary grades in Forest street and grades one and two in School street building last term. The hours for the morning session are from 9 to 11 and in the afternoon from 1.30 to 3.30. The same plan has been in vogue for the first grade West Side school for nearly two years. The plan as carried out

at the School street and Forest street schools is somewhat as follows :

The schools are divided into four divisions—A, B, C and D—according to the ability of the pupils to do work. These small divisions enable the teachers to become better acquainted with the pupil's class work. The forenoon session is divided into two parts with a recess of 15 minutes. Those pupils who need especial attention in any study are detained at 11 o'clock and the time till 12 is given to them for individual instruction. The teachers are enthusiastic over the plan and report not only better work but without any special effort the classes are further advanced at this time than ever before.

The plan acts as an incentive to the brighter pupils so that they may be dismissed at 11 and it encourages the other pupils by individual attention of the teachers to do better work in their studies. It seems to solve the problem of how to get at these pupils whom the class work does not seem to reach and I look for excellent results the longer it is continued.

The substitution of Arithmetic for the Algebra in the ninth grades has been a decided change for the better. The pupils need all the time for Arithmetic and the little work formerly done in Algebra according to the mathematical teachers in the High school did not result in any better preparation for that study in the High school. I would recommend that Physical Geography be dropped from the studies in this grade and Commercial Geography substituted. The modern geography contains so much of physical geography and besides this study is afterwards taken in the High school that a course in Commercial Geography would be productive of better results. The current event period in the eight and ninth grades still continues to be of great interest.

School Ornamentation.

The efforts of the teachers to make their rooms more attractive by pictures, statuary, and other forms of ornamentation are very commendable. During the past year a

great deal has been done in this direction. The proceeds of a well attended lecture under the auspices of the High school enabled the school to purchase four busts and a beautiful picture of "The Aurora". Two of these busts—Lincoln and Shakespeare—were placed in the English room and two, Venus and Apollo, with "The Aurora" were placed in the Latin room, adding very much to the attractiveness of these rooms.

Grade eight, Main street building, held a successful entertainment in town hall during the spring term and expended the money for statuary and books of reference.

Fall Brook school held a school fair which was liberally patronized by the people of the district and the proceeds were used to buy pictures for the school room.

Thomastown school, assisted by the people of the district, gave an interesting entertainment in the school room and with the money received secured some beautiful pictures for the school room.

Teachers in other schools have interested their pupils in this matter and by individual contributions have secured pictures for their schools.

Suburban Schools.

The suburban schools as a whole had a successful year. The membership in some of these schools is exceedingly variable. One year there will be in some districts fairly large schools and the next year these schools will be much smaller owing to the removal of families having many children. Nemasket in 1900 had an enrollment of 41; it now has 17. Thompsonville last year enrolled 22; it now has 12. Fall Brook now enrolls 19. While some of these schools have had a decrease in membership others have increased. Highland school which the board thought of closing a few years ago now numbers 32. Soule, formerly one of the smallest schools at one time, last term enrolled 36. The total enrollment in these schools for the past five years will be seen in the table:—1901, 442; 1902, 419; 1903, 465; 1904, 466; 1905, 441.

Outfits for busy work for pupils of the primary grades have been placed in every suburban school the past year so that all these schools are as well equipped for such work as the central schools.

Permission is now given the teachers to dismiss the pupils of the first two grades at 11 o'clock. This gives those grades a four hour session in the winter months. Those pupils whose parents do not wish them to be excused at that hour are allowed to stay in the school room.

The teachers report that their work can be carried on more satisfactorily under the present arrangement. It is also a good thing for the children to get out of doors after their school work is finished. These schools are allowed now to hold one session of school in stormy weather whenever in the judgment of the teachers conditions require it. This will have a marked effect upon the percentage of attendance.

The school teams conveying pupils to the Wappanucket and Thompsonville schools have been discontinued; at Wappanucket owing to the opening of the Marion Road school, and at Thompsonville because the number of pupils had been reduced to one. Satisfactory arrangements have been made with the parents of this pupil. This means an expenditure for elementary transportation of nearly \$700.00 less than for 1905.

The great problem in these schools is not their number but their grades. Many of these schools have grades from one to nine. Any plan which can reduce the number of grades without doing any injustice to the pupils or lowering the efficiency of the schools would greatly benefit them. In some future time it may be possible to have the pupils of the ninth grades at least attend school at the center—as has been done the present year with the pupils of the ninth grade at the South Middleboro school.

These schools greatly need some reference books for work in the upper grades and it is our plan the present year to furnish each school with an unabridged dictionary and a good atlas.

South Middleboro school at present is quite large. Fifty-three different pupils have been enrolled the present year.

It now numbers 48. If it is assured that this section promises the same or a larger future membership the present building should be enlarged to a two room building. One night during the spring term a fire broke out in the Thomastown school building but by the energetic action of some of the neighbors it was extinguished before much damage had been done. If it had happened later in the evening the building would probably have been totally destroyed.

Stamp Saving System.

Under the direction of the Cabot club the stamp saving system has been vigorously carried on the past year. The work now includes all the central schools excepting the High school. During the fall term it was extended to nearly all the suburban schools.

“The system is designed to inculcate in the youthful mind the wisdom of looking out for the pennies in order that the dollars may look out for themselves, and to encourage the spirit of independence and self respect which accompanies the honest accumulation of an individual bank account.” I have asked Mrs. C. W. M. Blanchard who has this work in charge to give a brief report and it will doubtlessly be read with great interest.

Teachers' Meetings.

A change in the method of conducting teachers' meetings has been inaugurated the present year. Instead of the grade meetings being divided to embrace groups of three grades, meetings for each grade have been arranged. This has proved to be much more satisfactory than the former method, as now more attention can be given to the work and needs of the several grades. Sixty-three such meetings will be held this year. The suburban meetings are conducted on the same plan as formerly. Eight suburban meetings are held this year.

A general meeting for teachers of the central elementary schools is held at the opening of each term. The principal of the High school holds weekly meetings with his teachers.

The supervisors of music and drawing hold frequent meetings to give definiteness to their work. A Teachers' Association has been formed this year. Under its auspices four lectures and a social meeting in May will be held.

Manual Training.

A year ago last September a system of manual training was introduced into the schools. It included a course of sloyd for the boys of the upper grammar grades and a course in sewing for the girls of the same grades. The course was opened to the pupils of the upper grades of the suburban schools also. Last March an appropriation was called for to continue the work by fitting up a room in the High school building, so that bench work could be given to the boys who had followed the knife work for one year. The appropriation was not granted. The school board feeling that if the work was to continue as part of the instruction in the schools that an opportunity for advanced work should be given under the conditions voted to discontinue the manual training course. The school board believes thoroughly in manual training and discontinued the course because of its inability from lack of funds to carry on the work as it should be carried on. It is admitted today that too much emphasis has been placed on the purely intellectual studies. That the time is ripe for the union of the two forces—the training of the head and the hand.

Manual training supplies a knowledge of the facts and forces of the tangible, living, active world of today, its buildings, machinery, processes, just as other branches of study do for history, literature and science. It develops sympathy for manual labor. It broadens the field for which to select a final calling. It stimulates perception, logical thinking, good judgment and productive imagination. It encourages truthfulness, self-control, firmness of will and is a strong factor in ethical culture. Sewing trains a girl to habits of carefulness and neatness, as well as to equip her for usefulness and independence in this art. The trained hand is as important an asset as the trained mind. The tendency of the schools is to neglect the mechanical classes.

I trust the day is not far distant, when a well systematized course in manual training, including sewing and cooking, shall find a place in our curriculum.

The thanks of the town are due the members of the Cabot club for their great interest in this form of school activity, for through their influence money was obtained to pay for the services of the manual training teacher. Because of the inability to extend the work, the board declined the club's generous offer to pay the services of the manual training teacher the present year.

School Exhibition.

It has been the custom for several years to hold the latter part of the spring term a series of parental days when the written work and drawings of the pupils would be placed on exhibition in the several rooms. Two years ago a change was made and instead of exhibiting the work in the several school rooms the work was collected and placed on exhibition in the town hall. This was more satisfactory as the work could be arranged by grades and a better idea of what was being done given. A similar exhibition to that given two years ago will be held this year in Town hall, May 11 and 12. Such exhibitions serve as an incentive for good work and bring the home and the school into closer touch with each other.

Teachers' Training Class.

By the vote of the School board a class for trainers was opened in September. The class numbers four members—two residents of the town and two non-residents. Each member observes the work carried on in each grade of the Main street grammar, Union street, School street, Forest street and West Side schools, spending two weeks in each room. One week is also spent in one of the suburban schools. On Tuesday forenoons the class meets the superintendent for lessons in pedagogy and school management. Many practical talks on methods are also given. Some teaching is done by the trainers in the rooms under the direction of the regular teacher. An opportunity is thus

given to the graduates of the High school who wish to become teachers but for various reasons cannot attend a normal school to secure a practical knowledge of carrying on school work. Those graduates of the training class who have taught in the Middleboro schools have done good work and many of them have developed into excellent teachers.

Evening School.

The evening school organized last winter had a very successful term. It opened with 17 members and at the close of the term the membership was 51. The work was carried on in two rooms of the High school building and two classes—an elementary and an advanced—did creditable work in penmanship, arithmetic, grammar and spelling. A great interest was manifested and the attendance at nearly all the sessions was exceptionally good.

It was not considered advisable to open the school the present winter as a similar school has been started under the direction of the Young Men's Christian Association which gives the opportunity that the evening school offered.

Eye Test.

In October the teachers were furnished with test-type cards for testing the eyes of the pupils. Many cases of defective vision previously unknown to teachers or pupils, have been discovered. The poor work of some pupils has been found due to poor vision. The results will be of great benefit to both teachers and pupils. In cases of pronounced defects the parents have been notified.

The tests were made for defective vision in right eye; in left eye; in both eyes.

In the High school 47 cases were found. In the central elementary schools 121 cases. In the suburban schools 50 cases. In all schools 218 cases.

This test has been of practical value in the seating of pupils and in the use of blackboards for written work.

The testing of vision in the public schools is a public necessity as it calls the attention of both teachers and parents to defects which often seriously interfere with scholarship. Many cases of apparent stupidity have been found due to poor vision.

Marion Road School.

At the request of the parents in District No. 16 the School Board voted in December to reopen the Marion Road school, which had been closed ten years, Jan. 8, 1906.

The building has been thoroughly repaired and presents an attractive appearance both within and without. The school opened with an attendance of 18 pupils and the membership next year will probably be still larger.

Music.

The work in this department has been making good progress. In nearly all the central schools the results are excellent. In the suburban schools existing conditions do not give as satisfactory results. I would recommend that arrangements be made with the supervisor of music so that more time can be secured. Under the present arrangements two and a half days are given to the work each week. The supervisor visits weekly each central school. In the suburban schools the schedule is arranged for four visits a term. By securing more time the supervisor could visit each suburban school once in two weeks, making up any lessons lost through no session of school. The people of the town will have an opportunity to observe what is being done in music at the school exhibition in May. On Friday evening May 11 Supervisor Howard will have charge of the program and give exercises showing the work in the different grades.

School and Library.

The schools of Middleboro are fortunate in having such a valuable adjunct as the public library. The efforts of the librarian and her assistants in stimulating the work of reading among the pupils of our schools are highly commendable. That the library is a source of help to our teachers is evident from reports submitted to the superintendent which show that during the past year 344 books of reference have been taken out by the teachers of the Central Elementary schools and 354 by the Suburban teachers—a total of 678 volumes. The teachers also direct to a great extent the

reading of their pupils by requiring certain books to be read. In some schools lists of library books are kept on the black boards. The teachers' library in the superintendent's office has been useful also, 127 professional books having been taken out by the teachers the past year.

School and Home.

It is often said that the schools of any place are as good as that place demands. It is certainly very encouraging to record the interest of the people of Middleboro in their schools as shown by liberal appropriations and school visitations. During the past year the registers show that the total number of visitations was 4647. Of this number the central schools had 3331 and the suburban schools 1316. While many of the visits were on special occasions yet many parents make a practice of visiting the schools monthly. The interest in the suburban schools is growing. The efforts of the teachers in these schools to bring the home and school into closer relationship are bearing good fruit. In November the superintendent held a series of reception days in the suburban schools which was a gratifying success. Nearly 200 parents and friends attended these exercises which consisted of class work, singing, rhetorical exercises and an address by the superintendent on "The Suburban School." The co-operation of the home with the school is a great factor in developing a successful school system.

Drawing.

Drawing has come to be regarded as an essential study and no town is keeping step in educational progress which does not provide a course in this subject under the charge of a trained supervisor. Of the 349 cities and towns in our state only three which have a population of over 4,000 do not employ a special teacher in this study. The method followed in Middleboro calls for a visitation to each central school once a week and a monthly meeting of the suburban teachers at which the supervisor outlines the work for each

month. Frequent conferences are held with the central teachers to unify and give definiteness to the work. What is being done in this department will be shown at the exhibition in Town hall, May 11 and 12. The true scope of the work is well outlined in the following extract:

“It is no more the business of drawing teachers to have the children make pretty pictures than it is of the language teacher to have them write poetry or blank verse, but if the children cannot tell much of what they know of geography, botany, and other subjects with pencil and chalk better than in words, there is a defect in the teaching of drawing somewhere. Drawing is a much better and more natural method of telling many things than writing. If it is proper to demand that the graduates of our public school be able to speak and write good English, it is even more fitting to demand that they shall be able to express their ideas by means of drawing quickly and correctly.”

Repairs.

The walls and ceilings of the rooms in the High school building have been kalsomined, and the wood work varnished. The rooms present a very attractive appearance. The ceilings of the Purchase and Fall Brook school rooms have been kalsomined. New adjustable chairs and desks have been placed in the Nemasket school and the out buildings painted. The policy of reseating one suburban building each year with adjustable furniture is a practical one. Eight of the 15 buildings are now thus provided for—Pleasant street, Plymouth street, Purchase, Nemasket, Soule, Green, Rock, Highland. Repairs have also been made at Purchase, Soule, Waterville, Green, Fall Brook, Thomastown, Rock, South Middleboro, West Side building, Forest street, Union street, School street, and the boiler at the High school building has called for a large expenditure. The present year the following repairs are necessary: renovating the wood work in the rooms of the West Side building and placing next winter double windows on the north side of this building, repairing the pupils' desks and chairs in the Main street building, reseating one suburban building with

adjustable furniture, and repairing many of the blackboards. Minor repairs each year call for a large sum in the aggregate. The school building on Marion Road has been repaired at an expenditure of over \$200.00 and this item will be included in the appropriation for this year.

Conclusion.

I have thus very briefly considered some of the details of the school work the past year. That our schools are progressive, that our teaching corps is enthusiastic, conscientious and working energetically to build up a system of schools which will materially aid the growth of the town as well as be productive of good citizenship should be gratifying to the people of the town. The present year promises better results in many ways than the past year and it is pleasing to recognize the possibility of greater advancement.

CHARLES H. BATES,

Superintendent of Schools.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

HIGH SCHOOL.

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SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

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REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

MR. C. H. BATES, *Superintendent of Schools*:

Dear Sir,—I take pleasure in submitting the following report for the year 1905. The year has been a successful one. The teachers have worked as a unit for the best interests of the school, and the best of feeling has existed between them and the pupils under their charge. Our teaching force, however, is too small for the size of the school. All our teachers have worked hard. Some of them have injured their health by overwork. According to the report of the State Board of Education for 1903—1904 there was no town or city in the Commonwealth, with an enrollment of 203 pupils or more in High school, that had as small a teaching force in her High school as the town of Middleboro now has with that enrollment. The following figures show the number of pupils and teachers in the High schools of some towns and cities whose High school enrollment was about 200: Attleboro, pupils 179, teachers, 7; Newburyport, pupils 224, teachers 10; Westfield, pupils 233, teachers 10; Dedham, pupils 186, teachers 8; Milton, pupils 178, teachers 9; Middleboro, pupils (enrolled the present school year) 203, teachers 6. The following figures show the High school enrollment in some towns that had six teachers in the High school: Winchendon 124; Milford 149; Hingham 169; Braintree 158; Orange 157; Marblehead 112; Amesbury 175. I note these statistics to show the great need of a larger teaching force in our High school.

The following changes in teachers have taken place during the year: Miss Isabelle M. Briggs, teacher of English and History in the school for several years, resigned her position last summer and Miss Clara E. Parker was elected to fill the vacancy. Miss Mabel F. Barnum was granted leave of absence last November on account of illness and Miss Olive W. Sullivan is substituting in her position.

Something must be done in the immediate future to enlarge our High school accommodations. The town is bound to have a considerable increase in population. I

have stated that our enrollment for the present school year is 203. Of the number 181 are from Middleboro. If we estimate the population at 7,000, this would give a High school population of about 26 to every thousand. If the population of the town should increase 1,000 in consequence of the new business enterprise, and the High school enrollment should retain its present ratio to the entire population, the number of High school pupils residing in town would be 207. This number supplemented by out-of-town pupils would make a school of at least 230 pupils. We cannot have any more teachers without more class-rooms. Our present force cannot do more than it is now doing. With our present number of pupils and with our present courses of study we should have two more teachers. When the increase comes we should have at least three more teachers. If a business course is introduced there should be an addition of four. The question arises, "What will the town of Middleboro do to meet this exigency?" I believe that a new High school building is the logical solution of this problem—a building supplied with modern conveniences for the most successful work, and built with an eye to the future growth of the town.

The class to be graduated next June numbers 32. This will make the total number of graduates from the Middleboro High school 441. From 1876, when the first class was graduated, to 1890 the number was 144. From 1890 to 1906, the sixteen years of my connection with the school, the number of graduates will total 297. Of this number about 75 have entered college, scientific or professional schools. Many others have continued their studies in normal, business, or training schools. For the next few years the school will probably graduate between 30 and 40 pupils each year.

The annual graduating exercises were held in town hall, Friday evening, June 30. The class numbered 29, the largest in the history of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER SAMPSON,

Principal of the High School.

COURSES OF STUDY

IN THE

Middleborough High School,

1905-1906.

Classical Course.

English-Latin Course.

English Course.

FIRST YEAR.

Latin,	200	Latin,	200	English,	120
English,	120	English,	120	Greek and Roman	
Greek and Roman		Greek and Roman		History,	120
History,	120	History,	120	Algebra,	200
Algebra,	200	Algebra,	200	Physiology,	80
				Botany,	120

SECOND YEAR.

Latin,	200	Latin,	200	English,	120
Greek,	200	Geometry,	200	English History,	120
Geometry,	200	Physics or ‡French,	200	Geometry,	200
†English,	120	†English,	120	Physics or ‡French,	200

THIRD YEAR.

Latin,	200	Latin,	200	English,	120
Greek,	200	French or German,	200	American History,	100
English,	120	English,	120	French or German,	200
American History,	100	American History,	100	<i>One of the following :</i>	
				1. Chemistry,	200
				2. Higher Algebra,	80
				Solid Geometry,	60
				Trigonometry,	60

FOURTH YEAR.

Latin,	200	Latin,	200	English,	120
Greek,	200	English,	120	Civics,	100
English,	120	Civics,	100	<i>Two of the following :</i>	
<i>One of the following :</i>		<i>One of the following :</i>		1. Astronomy,	80
1. French,	200	1. French,	200	Geology,	60
2. Review Mathematics,	200	2. Review Mathematics,	200	Book-keeping,	60
3. German,	200	3. German,	200	2. French,	200
				3. Review Mathematics,	200
				4. German,	200

† Pupils in these courses are advised to take English as an additional study.

‡ Only those pupils who intend to take French three years will elect the subject the second year. All others will begin French the third year.

* Pupils in the Classical Course are advised to take either French or German as an additional study during the third year.

Pupils preparing for higher institutions of learning are privileged to select subjects out of course, providing such subjects are equivalent to the regular subjects in course.

Music is required of all pupils throughout the course. Drawing is optional. The figures at the right of the subjects indicate the number of recitations per year.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

MR. CHARLES H. BATES, *Superintendent of Schools*:

Dear Sir,—It is with pleasure that I submit to you my fourth annual report. The work is going ahead and I believe we are beginning to see and realize that music is not simply for recreation, that its chief aim is not to get children to study music but to really know it. That the child may be able to read music and the class to render beautifully a song in one, two or three parts is not enough, but that from musical notation the child may develop mental training and character building fully as beneficial as the study of mathematics or kindred studies.

The work is being well graded and the classes, with few exceptions, are much interested in their work.

The conditions existing one year ago remain practically unchanged. The High school is doing good work and should have the best to do with—a new grand piano, a pianola and an assembly room large enough for chorus practice for the whole school.

Musical History. Some of the standard works of the great composers and short biographical sketches of their lives should be a part of the school curriculum.

Pupils should learn to listen intelligently.

They should learn to appreciate and understand the beauties in music as well as in any other of the arts, poetry, sculpture, painting or drawing. Statuary is studied in schools not that children may handle the chisel, but, rather that they should acquire the capacity to know and appreciate the plastic arts, similarly poetry, painting, drawing and the allied fine arts.

Ability to execute naturally augments the pleasure and enjoyment in any department in human thought, but it is by no means more requisite in music than in other lines of creative work.

The orchestra meets once each week and is a credit to our High school or would be to any other town of like size.

To the grade teacher must be accorded the praise for much of our gain in music. It is hoped they will be repaid by the personal profit to themselves which comes from a knowledge of the language of tones and from an acquaintance with the rich production of greatest masters of the art.

I feel very grateful to the superintendent and committee for their kindness and to the teachers for their hearty co-operation and faithful work.

Respectfully yours,

A. M. HOWARD,

Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

MR. CHARLES H. BATES, *Superintendent of Schools*:

Dear Sir,—The following is submitted as the third annual report of drawing in the public schools. The same plan has been followed this year as has been in use for the two previous years; ten hours a week having been devoted to the supervising of drawing in the central schools and two forty minute periods weekly in the High school.

At the beginning of each term there have been teachers' meetings, when the work for the term has been discussed. Monthly meetings with the suburban teachers have been held in the High school building, and the plan for the following month has been given out. This is divided into two groups, primary and grammar, and follows exactly the work done in the center schools.

The same general program that was used last year is being followed this year and already the work done bears comparison with that in other and larger towns. It is hoped that the work will soon be as thoroughly graded as it should be.

In the High school there are courses offered in design, freehand and mechanical drawing. In each course a definite aim is presented to the class: in design, the ability to recognize good designs and to know why they are good: in mechanical drawing, to be able to make accurate mechanical drawings that can be worked from; and in freehand drawing to represent an object as it looks; to this course have been added a few "crafts" objects that can be easily made in the school room.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH E. MARVIN.

January 31, 1906.

REPORT OF STAMP SAVING SYSTEM.

The stamp saving system is now in its third year, and that it is gaining in favor among the children is shown by the constant demand for an increase in capital.

The Cabot club, realizing the need of teaching the children, here as elsewhere, habits of thrift and economy and that a little saved every week amounts to a sum in time, and as such can be spent to a far better advantage, introduced the system.

Through the kindness of the Superintendent of Schools I have been enabled to interest the teachers in taking up the work, thus securing a little more regularity. Home and social duties oftentimes prevent an agent from outside going regularly with the stamps, the children thereby losing interest and spending the pennies which otherwise might have been saved. In most of the schools ten minutes a week is all the time necessary for the selling of the stamps. While the children are encouraged to save and to obtain a bank book, yet a withdrawal like the following is not to be deplored. A little fellow came to the Treasurer and wanted to draw his money; when asked if he did not wish to wait and save towards a bank book, replied, "Oh! but mother wants to go to the concert to-night, and hasn't any money. I want to buy her a ticket."

It was a pleasure to look into the bright faces of the little people, who during the holiday season withdrew their money to purchase mittens, rubbers and in several cases money saved to buy papa and mamma a Christmas present.

The work has been taken up in all but three of the suburban schools.

The present treasurer has had charge of the work since October so only an estimate since that time is given.

Of the center schools the savings of the children of the West Side school amounted to fifty dollars in the three months. Of the suburban schools the savings of the children

at the Green amounted to fifteen dollars, and the Purchase school is credited with a like amount. Two hundred and fifty stamp deposit cards have been given out, making over eleven hundred in all.

Since October 1, three hundred and fifty dollars worth of stamps have been purchased and two hundred and twenty one dollars worth sold.

The withdrawals during the Christmas season amounted to fifty dollars.

MRS. C. W. M. BLANCHARD,
Treasurer.

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RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year	\$13 98
Appropriation for current expenditures	24,768 30
Appropriation for transportation	2,952 70
Appropriation for repairs	1,000 00
Appropriation for salaries of school committee	150 00
Town of Lakeville, tuition	704 00
Town of Plympton, tuition	40 00
State Board of Lunacy and Charity, tuition	442 00
City of Boston, tuition	52 00
Tuition not paid by towns	188 00
Sale of books and supplies	30 00
	\$30,340 98

EXPENDITURES.

Instruction, superintendence, care of buildings and fuel	\$23,944 77
Books and supplies	1,368 80
Printing	160 80
Sundries	600 78
Conveyance to elementary schools	2,052 20
Conveyance to High school	683 80
Repairs	1,000 00
Salaries of School Committee	150 00
	\$29,961 15
Balance	\$379 83

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

INSTRUCTION.

High	\$4,450 00	
Main Street	1,950 40	
Union Street	1,671 30	
School Street	1,688 50	
Forest Street	874 00	
West Side	1,854 00	
	<hr/>	\$12,488 20

Suburban schools :

Pleasant Street	\$380 00	
Plymouth Street	332 00	
Purchade	357 00	
Nemasket	380 00	
Thompsonville	357 00	
Soule	380 00	
Waterville	380 00	
Green	379 60	
Fall Brook	380 00	
Thomastown	357 00	
South Middleboro	380 00	
Highland	357 00	
Rock	379 20	
Wappanucket	357 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,155 80
Music	500 00	
Drawing	400 00	
Manual training	120 00	

JANITORS.

Central schools :

Main Street building	\$586 00	
Union and School Street buildings	420 00	
Forest Street building	180 00	
West Side building	240 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,426 00

Suburban schools :

Pleasant Street	\$38 00	
Plymouth Street	38 00	
Purchade	13 55	
Nemasket	29 00	
Thompsonville	14 00	
Soule	38 00	
Waterville	19 00	
Green	14 65	
Fall Brook	15 15	
South Middleboro	13 85	
Highland	17 25	
Wappanucket	17 25	
Thomastown	17 45	
Rock	38 00	
	<hr/>	\$322 55

FUEL.

Central schools :

S. E. Matthews	\$6 88	
B. C. Shaw	61 13	
Bryant & Soule	1,278 46	
	<hr/>	\$1,346 47

Suburban schools :

Bryant & Soule	\$19 92	
B. C. Shaw	79 25	
T. C. Savery	25 50	
A. H. Soule	57 00	
J. L. Jenney	5 43	
O. E. Deane	16 00	
C. N. Atwood	3 00	
I. E. Perkins	88 75	
Henry Howe	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$302 85

SUNDRIES.

Middleboro Fire District, water West	
Side school	\$27 00
C. H. Bates, traveling expenses and	
sundries	121 00

J. & G. E. Doane, sundries . . .	\$48 07
W. H. Southworth, sundries . . .	12 80
Thomas W. Pierce, sundries . . .	21 99
Geo. W. Hammond, salary as truant officer	6 00
The Talbot Co., disinfectants . . .	3 00
So. Mass. Tel. Co., rental of telephones	
Supt's office and High school bldg.	28 66
F. N. Whitman, sundries . . .	4 83
E. T. Lincoln, salary as truant officer	7 00
John McNally, freight and cartage .	27 44
N. Y. & B. D. Express Co., express	18 45
W. H. Goodwin, sundries . . .	3 88
Lottie W. Tinkham, labor . . .	1 50
Mass. Gas & Electric Plant Co., gas	41 61
George L. Finney, sundries . . .	9 46
J. A. Burgess, cleaning school bldgs.	68 50
S. E. Matthews, sundries . . .	7 75
Geo. A. Deane, labor	3 20
Jos. N. Shaw, labor	0 50
W. A. Andrews, cash paid . . .	6 00
Mrs. W. H. Price, cleaning school room	3 60
J. H. & B. Sears & Co., sundries .	3 79
Walter Sampson, sundries . . .	5 60
C. W. M. Blanchard, filling in certificates	3 00
J. L. Jenney, carting chairs . . .	1 00
Jones Bros. Co., sundries . . .	20 95
W. E. Bump, brooms	3 00
J. H. Dimock, labor	2 00
L. O. Tilson, sundries	4 20
Carrie Lord, cleaning school room .	7 00
H. C. Keith, repairing lawn mower .	4 50
Carrie L. Jones, taking school census	45 00
S. S. Lovell, sundries	7 90
F. E. Pierce, labor	6 00
W. H. Paige, tuning two pianos . .	5 25
A. G. Hayes, care of High school sewer	5 00
H. W. Stone, filling in diplomas .	4 35

 \$600 78

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

American Book Co., books . . .	\$122 74	
E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies	467 78	
Allyn and Bacon, books, . . .	11 69	
D. C. Heath & Co., book . . .	118 47	
Guin & Co., books	160 97	
Silver, Burdett & Co., books . . .	28 75	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books . .	7 16	
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies . . .	144 32	
Hinds, Noble & Eldredge, books . .	16 00	
Milton Bradley & Co., supplies . .	13 52	
Henry Holt & Co., books	11 20	
Little, Brown & Co., books	4 08	
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., supplies	58 38	
B. H. Sanborn & Co., books	35 84	
T. H. Castor & Co., books	1 75	
Smith and Hathaway, supplies . . .	78 11	
Ellis Pub Co., books	12 40	
Gurney Bros. Co., supplies	2 25	
F. J. Barnard & Co., binding books	49 10	
A. M. Howard, books	4 40	
E. E. Marvin, supplies	4 00	
A. F. Lewis Co., books	1 00	
Scarborough Co., maps,	7 10	
J. K. & B. Sears & Co., supplies . .	1 54	
Benj. W. Caswell, books	2 00	
The Palmer Co., books	4 25	
	<hr/>	\$1,368 80

PRINTING.

Wood & Tinkham	\$85 10	
H. L. Thatcher & Co.	75 70	
	<hr/>	\$160 80

CONVEYANCE TO HIGH SCHOOL.

Phineas P. Dow	\$5 80
Sarah E. Murtagh	5 55
Cordelia B. Richmond	5 40
Franklyn H. Standish	5 50

Joseph H. Westgate	.	.	.	.	.	\$5 25
Vira N. Cambell	.	.	.	.	.	8 75
Frank A. Davis	.	.	.	.	.	9 10
Catharine M. Lewis	.	.	.	.	.	9 15
Alta M. Maxim	.	.	.	.	.	25 50
C. Amory Newhall	.	.	.	.	.	2 50
Margaret Parnell	.	.	.	.	.	27 45
Dorothy Shaw	.	.	.	.	.	36 60
Myrtie A. Shaw	.	.	.	.	.	8 50
Walter L. Shaw	.	.	.	.	.	37 60
Willis U. Snow	.	.	.	.	.	9 15
Alice M. Ward	.	.	.	.	.	26 10
Louise S. Wilber	.	.	.	.	.	18 30
Lottie M. Blakeslee	.	.	.	.	.	9 00
Shirley C. Clark	.	.	.	.	.	8 95
Frederick G. Fies	.	.	.	.	.	12 93
Jay G. Galligan	.	.	.	.	.	5 60
LeRoy M. LeBaron	.	.	.	.	.	27 75
Charles E. Reed	.	.	.	.	.	19 90
Minnie F. Russell	.	.	.	.	.	15 75
Mary Shaw	.	.	.	.	.	36 00
Elmer A. Sisson	.	.	.	.	.	19 60
Mildred A. Thomas	.	.	.	.	.	18 40
Arlena F. Tinkham	.	.	.	.	.	8 80
Herbert L. Wilber	.	.	.	.	.	18 70
George L. Barney	.	.	.	.	.	9 05
Winsor A. Carver	.	.	.	.	.	26 85
Ruth M. Davis	.	.	.	.	.	9 05
Ella G. Glendall	.	.	.	.	.	6 85
Ethel Macomber	.	.	.	.	.	9 20
George H. Shaw	.	.	.	.	.	8 90
Leroy C. Tinkham	.	.	.	.	.	5 50
Clifford H. Tobey	.	.	.	.	.	4 85
Elbert V. Warren	.	.	.	.	.	5 60
Joseph E. Wood	.	.	.	.	.	9 20
Bernard C. Bryant	.	.	.	.	.	8 00
Harrison Shaw	.	.	.	.	.	8 93
Elsie B. MacKeen	.	.	.	.	.	1 50
Mary E. Standish	.	.	.	.	.	0 30
Willis C. Holcomb	.	.	.	.	.	3 55

Mary C. Azevedo	\$7 00
Frank W. Durant	6 70
Erma J. Hazelton	3 05
Rose Jordan	3 20
Orton C. Newhall	3 50
Arthur C. Ripley	10 50
Celesta O. Shaw	13 80
Eliza A. Slessor	7 39
Alfred E. Standish	3 50
Ernest E. Thomas	3 50
Forest B. Standish	7 00
Leslie M. Thomas	3 50
Lyman H. Thomas	7 00
Stephen G. Thomas	3 25
Robert L. Tomblen	3 50
Ellis M. Wilber	7 00
Clarence H. Wilber	19 45
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	\$683 80

CONVEYANCE TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Schools teams :

Pleasant Street, Robert W. Thorson	\$350 00
Nemasket, C. E. Libby	368 50
Thompsonville, Joseph A. Carver	171 45
Thomastown, C. T. Morse	165 00
Thomastown, Dana H. Shaw	133 65
South Middleboro, Anna M. Shaw	283 50
South Middleboro, Anna M. Blackwell	59 50
Wappanucket, Calvin Bradford	301 25
Wappanucket, Joseph LaCroix	175 00

Individual transportation :

South Middleboro, T. J. LeBaron	15 85
Thompsonville, David N. Wetherbee	18 00
Main Street Grammar, Florence Hunt	5 25
Main Street Grammar, Sarah McFarlin	5 25

\$2,052 20

REPAIRS.

J. H. Thomas, labor	\$5 66
E. H. Blake, repairing locks	1 90
W. H. Southworth, labor at West Side,	
and Union Street Soule	10 91
LeBaron Foundry Co , grate bars, High school .	39 12
Z. E. Phinney, labor	27 40
Thomas W. Pierce, material and labor	126 57
Frank E. Pierce, labor at High school and Union Street	14 00
Lloyd Perkins, labor at High school and Union Street	3 30
Eben Jones, labor and material	21 66
H. A. Sparrow, labor at Highland	6 00
C. H. Crowell, labor at Soule, West Side and High school	60 06
W. F. Dean, labor	0 35
C. S. Tinkham, cash paid for labor	16 10
G. L. Finney, labor at Forest Street	2 50
F. E. Miller, labor at Forest Street	2 00
E. H. Cromwell, labor at Fall Brook	2 00
J. K. & B. Sears, material	106 00
American School Furniture Co., Nemasket School	106 00
C. F. Gay, labor Forest Street and Fall Brook .	21 65
C. E. Danforth, labor at Purchade and Thomas- town	7 50
E. T. Tenney, labor at Rock and So. Middleboro	12 83
J. A. Burgess, repairs on suburban buildings .	24 74
T. G. Matthews, labor at Nemasket	23 60
T. T. Boucher, labor at High school building .	200 00
Thomas & Clapp, labor at High school yard .	4 00
Jones Bros. Co., furnishings	38 90
Clark & Cole Co., material	0 40
W. A. Andrews, cash paid for labor at Water- ville	9 00
T. M. Wrightington, labor at Thomastown .	3 00
F. C. Sparrow, labor at Neck school	40 79
J. & G. E. Doane, material and labor	136 07
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	\$1,000 00

STATISTICS.

ABSTRACT OF STATISTICS.

VALUATION.

Assessed valuation of the town, 1905	\$4,291,254 00
Approximate value of schoolhouses and lots	75,000 00
Approximate value of other school property	5,000 00

COST OF SCHOOLS.

Amount available for school purposes .	\$30,340 98
Total cost of the schools for the year .	29,961 15
Ordinary expenses	28,961 15
Percentage of assessed valuation expended for the schools . . . . .	.0069
Average cost per pupil, based on average membership	24 74

POPULATION.

Population of the town, 1905	6,888
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SCHOOL CENSUS.

	Sept. 1, 1904.	Sept. 1, 1905.
Number of boys between the ages of 5 and 15	609	617
Number of girls between the ages of 5 and 15	554	563
	<u>1,163</u>	<u>1,180</u>
Increase	73	17
Number of boys between the ages of 7 and 14	455	438
Number of girls between the ages of 7 and 14	386	403
	<u>841</u>	<u>841</u>
Increase	59	0
Number of illiterate minors over 14 years of age	0	0

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.

	Central.	Suburban.	Total.
Whole number of pupils enrolled	927	441	1,368
Average membership	842	369	1,211
Average daily attendance	800	333	1,133
Percentage of attendance	95	90.2	93.5
Number of half days' absence	18,348	18,150	36,498
Number of cases of tardiness	891	662	1,553
Number of cases of dismissal	787	329	1,116
Number of cases of truancy	15	0	15
Number of cases of corporal punishment	33	13	46
Number attending over 15 years of age	182	7	189
Number attending between 7 and 14 years	529	360	889

STATISTICS OF EACH SCHOOL.

SCHOOL.	Room.	TEACHERS.	Grades.	Total Membership.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.
High		Walter Sampson, <i>Prin.</i> . . . Leonard O. Tillson Grace Allen Isabelle M. Briggs Mabel F. Barnum Anastacia G. Leahy	10-13	200	184	176	95
Main street . . .	3	C. W. M. Blanchard, <i>Prin.</i> , Lillian M. Tinkham	9 8	58 44	54 43	51 40	94 92
	1	Bertha E. Vaughn	7	48	44	42	95
Union street . .	4	Florence L. Dean, <i>Prin.</i> . .	6	59	50	47	94
	3	Veretta F. Shaw	6	62	50	47	92
	2	Maude B. Perry	4	29	26	25	96
	1	Calista F. Hathaway	4	27	27	25	94
School street . .	3	Lucy P. Burgess	3	68	64	61	95
	3	Lottie N. Besse, <i>Ass't</i> . . .					
	2	Lena M. Baldwin	2	46	39	36	92
	1	Eleanor A. Barden, <i>Prin.</i> , A. Belle Tenney, <i>Prin.</i> . . .	1 2	47 32	42 31	39 29	92 93
Forest street . .	2	Flora M. Clark	1	45	42	38	91
West Side . . .	4	Henry F. Wilson, <i>Prin.</i> . . .	8-9	27	27	24	93
	3	Ina E. Cobb	6-7	41	30	28	94
	2	Myra L. Atwood	3-5	47	45	42	94
	1	Mattie M. Bennett	1-2	47	41	38	92
Pleasant street .		Lucy E. Merrihew	mixed	39	31	27	86
Plymouth street,		Lillian F. Smith	"	29	20	18	92
Purchade . . .		Eliza A. McTaggart	"	32	24	21	86
Nemasket . . .		Effie D. Williams	"	26	23	20	88
Thompsonville .		Alice B. LeBaron	"	19	14	13	93
Soule		Mary E. Deane	"	34	25	22	87
Waterville . . .		Bessie B. Bailey	"	23	19	17	89
Green		A. Delle Alden	"	34	34	31	91
Fall Brook . . .		Katherine Bryan	"	26	20	17	86
Thomastown . .		Ethel F. Roberts	"	42	34	32	92
So. Middleboro .		N. Louise Kimball	"	44	42	38	90
Highland		Annabel Landgrebe	"	27	27	23	87
Rock		Florence I. Reed	"	35	29	27	93
Wappanucket .		Faye H. Dean	"	31	23	21	90

ENROLLMENT TABLE FOR NOVEMBER.

				Central.	Suburban.	Total.
1895	.	.	.	662	337	999
1896	.	.	.	669	360	1,029
1897	.	.	.	686	391	1,077
1898	.	.	.	724	389	1,113
1899	.	.	.	727	384	1,111
1900	.	.	.	781	408	1,189
1901	.	.	.	860	401	1,261
1902	.	.	.	840	385	1,225
1903	.	.	.	863	405	1,268
1904	.	.	.	891	400	1,291
1905	.	.	.	907	410	1,317

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE, 1894-1905.

	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.
Number of teachers,	30	31	31	33	33	33	34	37	37	38	39	39
Number of pupils,	1,201	1,233	1,211	1,232	1,262	1,179	1,236	1,277	1,308	1,346	1,376	1,368
Average number,	940	974	948	968	1,024	1,045	1,107	1,122	1,185	1,153	1,188	1,211
Av. daily attendance,	860	890	881	901	950	959	1,016	1,038	1,038	1,049	1,095	1,133
Percentage, . . .	91.5	90.9	92.5	92.8	92.7	91.7	91.7	92.5	90.0	90.8	92.2	93.5
No. ½ days absence,	29,529	28,591	26,623	27,310	27,540	31,136	32,803	34,156	40,957	34,612	35,563	36,498
No. cases tardiness,	3,009	1,710	1,143	1,142	1,131	1,195	1,165	1,188	1,431	1,091	1,521	1,553
No. cases dismissal,	2,497	1,659	1,321	1,483	1,495	1,061	1,107	1,116	1,186	811	1,090	1,116
No. cases truancy,	23	12	38	21	19	14	15	26	17	9	14	15
No. pupils in High School, . . .	159	146	153	159	159	126	138	133	147	168	174	200

STATISTICAL EXPENSE TABLE FOR TEN YEARS.

Year.	Fuel.	Books and Supplies.	Incidentals.	Transportation, Elementary Schools.	Transportation, High School.
1896	\$947 75	\$1,227 53	\$595 12	\$1,416 35	\$420 37
1897	1,000 01	1,262 88	445 28	1,660 45	404 73
1898	989 89	1,335 84	420 38	1,440 35	335 63
1899	1,215 54	1,439 00	437 93	1,447 75	307 27
1900	1,072 98	1,612 76	441 04	1,522 70	352 84
1901	1,303 84	1,938 98	504 69	1,560 90	474 27
1902	690 55	1,822 85	725 10	1,739 60	524 99
1903	2,385 17	1,065 42	439 72	1,827 80	693 47
1904	1,711 99	1,353 12	582 10	1,662 30	875 20
1905	1,649 32	1,529 60	600 78	2,052 20	683 80

STATISTICS.

Number of visits of Committee to Central schools	36
Number of visits of Committee to Suburban schools	15
Number of visits of Superintendent to Central schools	553
Number of visits of Superintendent to Suburban schools	148
Number of other visitors to Central schools	3,331
Number of other visitors to Suburban schools	1,316
Total number of visitors to all schools	5,399
Number of pupils promoted in June in Central schools	688
Number of pupils not promoted in June in Central schools	61
Number of pupils promoted conditionally in June in Central schools	44
Number of pupils promoted in June in Suburban schools	312
Number of pupils not promoted in June in Suburban schools	25
Number of pupils promoted conditionally in June in Suburban schools	24
Number of books taken from Public library by teachers for school use	678
Number of books taken from the Teachers' library by teachers for school use	127

TEACHERS.

Number of teachers employed, including assistants, January 1906	40
High school, men, 2 ; women, 4 ; total	6
Grammar school, men, 2 ; women, 8 ; total	10
Primary schools, women	7
Suburban schools, women	15
Special teachers, music 1 ; drawing 1 ; total	2

TEACHERS' TRAINING CLASS.

Whole number of pupils enrolled, 4 ; residents 2 ; non residents 2	4
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SCHOOLHOUSES AND SCHOOLS.

Number occupied January 1906	20
Number of rooms, not including recitation rooms	36
Number of recitation rooms	2
High school rooms	6
Grammar school rooms, grades 4-9	11
Primary school rooms, grades 1-3	8
Suburban school rooms, mixed grades	15
Number of houses heated by steam, 1 ; by furnace, 9 ; by stoves, 10.	

CHANGES OF TEACHERS.

JANUARY 1, 1905 TO JANUARY 1, 1906.

Resignations.

Isabelle M. Briggs, High school.
 Bertha E. Vaughn, Main street, Grade VII.
 Calista F. Hathaway, Union street, Grade IV.
 Henry F. Wilson, West Side school, Grades VIII-IX.
 Ina E. Cobb, West Side school, Grades VI-VII.
 Lillian F. Smith, Plymouth street.

Appointments.

Clara E. Parker, High school.
 George L. Weekes, West Side, Grades VII-IX.
 Katherine M. Cole, Plymouth street.
 Annie M. Holt, Plymouth street.
 Grace S. Hathaway, Nemasket.
 Marion W. Sisson, South Middleboro.
 Donna E. Luce, South Middleboro.

Transfers.

Effie D. Williams, from Nemasket to Grade IV, Union street.

N. Louise Kimball, from South Middleboro to Grade VII, Main street.

Katherine M. Cole, from Plymouth street to Neck school.

Marion W. Sisson, from South Middleboro to Grades VI-VII West Side.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

	Everett T. Lincoln.	S. S. Lovell.	George. W. Hammond.
Number of cases investigated,	3	27	6
“ “ of truancy,	0	2	0
“ “ prosecuted,	0	0	0
“ “ on probation,	0	0	0

TEACHERS' TRAINING CLASS.

Bump, Mary Lindley, Graduate of Middleboro High School.

Dudley, Agnes Blanche Cameron “ “ “

DeMaranville, Maude “ “ “

Pratt, Christena “ “ “

GRADUATING EXERCISES— MIDDLEBORO HIGH SCHOOL.

Town Hall, Friday Evening, June 30, 1905.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

PRAYER —

Rev. Elmer E. Williams.

SALUTATORY AND ESSAY — “The Great Folly of Russia,”
Ruth Eliza Eaton.

ORATION — “A Growing Danger,”
Roswel Stearns.

ESSAY — “The Cranberry Industry of Plymouth County,”
Laura Georgia Finney.

ORATION — “The Power of Influence,”
LeRoy Henry Leggee.

CLASS STATISTICS —

Rose Standish.

CHORUS — “The Lake.”

ORATION — “The Mission of the Motor Car,”
Henry William Sears, Jr.

ESSAY — “Manners of Dress in the Elizabethan Age,”
Maude DeMaranville.

DEBATE — “Resolved: That Taunton is Wrong in her
Position on the Lake Assawampsett Question,”
Aff.: Arthur Justin Bryant.
Neg.: Joseph Francis Westgate.

VOCAL QUARTETTE — “Kerry Dance,”

Emma Florence Elwell. Edith Goodale Cody.

Mildred Kingman Glidden. Lea Evelyn Auger.

ORATION — “Secondary or Storage Cells,”
Franklyn Herbert Standish.

FRENCH DIALOGUE — Scene from “Ou sont donc ces
Messieurs?”

Lea Evelyn Auger.

Sarah Evelyn Murtagh.

Mary Lindley Bump.

Cordelia Bellis Richmond.

Christena Pratt.

Alberta Florenz Stickney.

CLASS HISTORY —

Agnes Blanche Cameron Dudley.

GERMAN RECITATION — “Barbarossa,”

Lewis Freeman Harding.

DEBATE — “Resolved: That Municipal Ownership is for
the Best Interests of the People,”

Aff.: Grace Claire Bates.

Neg.: Albert Wood Bates.

CHORUS — “Columbia Beloved.”

ORATION — “The Advance of Japan,”

Phineas Percival Dorr.

RECITATION — “Old Mother Goose.”

Edith Maude Perkins.

DECLAMATION — “Nations and Humanity,”

Ernest Sumner Pratt.

CLASS PROPHECY —

Will Pierce Murray.

ESSAY AND VALEDICTORY — “Influences of Nature,”

Louise Bradford Pratt.

CLASS ODE — Sung by Class,

Written by Eva Freeman Harlow.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS —

Rev. W. C. Litchfield, Chairman of School Committee.

BENEDICTION.

CLASS OF 1905.

Classical Course.

Albert Wood Bates.

Ruth Eliza Eaton.

Edith Goodale Cody.

Emma Florence Elwell.

Eva Freeman Harlow.

English-Latin Course.

Grace Claire Bates.

Christena Pratt.

Arthur Justin Bryant.

Ernest Sumner Pratt.

Laura Georgia Finney.

Louise Bradford Pratt.

Mildred Kingman Glidden.

Cordelia Bellis Richmond.

LeRoy Henry Leggee.

Henry William Sears, Jr.

Sarah Evelyn Murtagh.

Rose Standish.

Edith Maude Perkins.

Roswel Stearns.

Alberta Florenz Stickney.

English Course.

Lea Evelyn Auger.	Agnes Blanche Cameron Dudley.
Mary Lindley Bump.	Lewis Freeman Harding.
Maude DeMaranville.	Will Pierce Murray.
Phineas Percival Dorr.	Franklyn Herbert Standish.
Joseph Francis Westgate.	

CLASS ODE.

By Eva Freeman Harlow.

Far too soon the happy years are ended,
 Part now we must.
 Both joy and pain must now be blended,
 The future to God we'll trust.

CHORUS—Let us then with purpose steady,
 Always further go,
 True to our noblest selves, and ready
 Only good seed to sow.

To our patient teachers ever faithful,
 Grateful are we ;
 Long may the good acquired be helpful,
 Over life's stormy sea.

MIDDLEBORO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
 GRADUATING EXERCISES, 1905.

Wednesday, June 28, Town Hall.

ORDER OF EXERCISES

MUSIC — “Our Boys and Girls” . . . Jos. J. Kaiser
 Orchestra,

Norris Macomber, Violin,	James Williams, Clarinet,
Roy Caswell, Violin,	Paul Roberts, Clarinet,
James Baker, Cornet,	Frank Harrington, Piano,

PRAYER —

Rev. Geo. W. Stearns,

- SINGING — “The Call to Arms,” . . . G. A. Veazie
School.
- RECITATION — “Cherokee Roses” . . . Anon
Inez Bassett.
- PIANO SOLO — “Colombine Menuet” . . . Delahaye
Maud Wesson.
- RECITATION — “Herve Riel” . . . Browning
Ella Tallman.
- FLOWER SONG — . . . Mendelssohn
Theodora Carter.
Maude Starbuck, Accompanist.
- CORNET SOLO — “Alice, Where Art Thou?” J. Ascher
Mason Leggee.
Minnie L. Fagerberg, Accompanist.
- RECITATION — “The Soldier’s Joy” . Emma D. Banks
Annie Andrews.
Violin Obligato, Willie Andrews.
- MUSIC—“Hymn You Love the Best” . Wm. C. Davies
Orchestra.
- SINGING—“The Voices of the Woods” . . J. C. Macy
School.
- RECITATION—“The Green Mountain Justice”
Katherine Whitty.
- PIANO DUET—“Triumphal March” . . H. Bierman
Mabel Sears and Theodora Browne.
- CORNET SOLO—“Queen of the Earth” . . Pinsuti
James Baker.
Kathleen Aldrich, Accompanist.
- RECITATION—“The Mustard Plaster” . Howard Fielding
Erna Cornish.
- SINGING—“Our Jack” . . . H. Trotere
School.
- MUSIC—“The Crack of the Whip” . S. R. Henry
Orchestra.
- PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF GRADUATION —
Rev. W. C. Litchfield, Chairman of School Committee.
- BENEDICTION.

CLASS OF 1905.

Main Street Grammar School.

Kathleen B. Aldrich,	Paul F. Anderson,
Annie H. Andrews,	William C. Andrews,
Alice H. Baker,	James F. Baker,
Inez W. Bassett,	Oliver C. Brett,
Alta E. Battles,	Leroy B. Caswell,
Josephine G. Bennett,	John C. Cody,
Louisa E. Boucher,	Gordon W. Ellis,
Theodora M. Browne,	Gustaf W. Erickson,
Grace M. Bryant,	Charles L. Farrington
Ethel M. Bump,	Melvorn D. Gammons,
Theodora L. Carter,	Walter B. Kraus,
Gertrude M. Coombs,	Harold A. Lovell,
Erna L. Cornish,	Lloyd A. Murray,
Ruth M. Cox,	Winfred L. Perkins,
Annie J. M. Curley,	Paul H. Roberts,
Elizabeth E. C. Doherty,	George R. Shaw,
Ruth A. Hathaway,	Alfred E. Standish,
Helen S. Parkhurst,	Ernest E. Thomas,
Susie B. Pierce,	Stephen G. Thomas,
Gertrude E. Ryder,	Alfred A. Weatherby,
Mabel B. Sears,	Chester M. Witbeck,
Rena O. Simmons,	Ella C. Tallman,
Eliza A. Slessor,	Elizabeth L. B. Thomas,
Abbie M. Starbuck,	Maud B. Wesson,
Pauline W. Stearns,	Florence M. Weston.

West Side Grammar School.

Arnold J. Bailey,	Walter F. Lakey,
Ralph G. Conant,	Mason H. Leggee,
Alan Deane,	Charles E. McCarthy,
Minnie L. Fagerberg,	George B. Purdon,
Ralph B. Gay,	Katherine A. Whitty,

Rock.

Leslie M. Thomas.

Soule.

Arthur C. Ripley.

South Middleboro.

Mary C. Azevedo, Lyman H. Thomas,
 Ellis M. Wilber.

Thomastown.

Frank W. Durant, Celesta O. Shaw,
 Jennie S. Wrightington.

Thompsonville.

William Burroughs, Leslie F. Jackson,
 Forrest B. Standish.

Wappanucket.

Rose Jordan.

LIST OF TEACHERS, FEBRUARY 1, 1906.

Teachers' Training Class. Charles H. Bates, 103 So. Main st.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Main Street, near Town Hall.

Walter Sampson, principal, 46 North Main street.
 Leonard O. Tillson, 11 North street.
 Grace Allen, 19 Peirce street.
 Mable F. Barnum, 19 Oak street.
 Anastacia G. Leahy, 19 Everett street.
 Clara E. Parker, 65 Pearl street.

MAIN STREET GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

High School Building.

Room.	Grade.
4. Clifton W. M. Blanchard, principal,	9. 5 North street.
3. Lillian M. Tinkham,	8. Rock.
2. N. Louise Kimball,	7. 23 Forest street.

UNION STREET GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Union Street, near Centre.

Room.	Grade.
1. Veretta F. Shaw,	6. South Middleboro.
2. Florence L. Dean, principal,	5. 4 Southwick st.
3. Effie D. Williams,	4. 78 Centre street.
4. Maude B. Perry,	4. 6 Myrtle street.

SCHOOL STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL.

School Street, near Centre.

Room.	Grade.
3. Lucy P. Burgess,	3. 2 Myrtle street.
Lottie N. Besse, Ass't,	3 High st.
2. Lena M. Baldwin,	2. 19 Webster st.
1. Eleanor A. Barden, principal,	1. 85 Pearl street.

FOREST STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Forest Street.

Room.	Grade.
2. A. Belle Tenney, principal,	2. 65 Oak street.
1. Flora M. Clark,	1. 18 Forest street.

WEST SIDE GRAMMAR AND PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Room.	Grade.
4. George L. Weekes, principal,	8-9. 210 Centre st.
3. Marion W. Sisson,	6-7. 210 Centre st.
2. Myra L. Atwood,	3-5. 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ No. Main st.
1. Mattie M. Bennett,	1-2. 8 Peirce st.

SUBURBAN SCHOOLS.

Pleasant street — Lucy E. Merrihew, 23 East Grove street.
 Plymouth street — Annie M. Holt, 91 Oak street.
 Purchade — Eliza A. McTaggart, 62 Forest street.
 Nemasket — Grace S. Hathaway, 23 Webster street.
 Soule — Mary E. Deane, Thompson street.
 Waterville — Bessie B. Bailey, 23 Forest street.
 Green — A. Delle Alden, 75 South Main street.
 Fall Brook — Katherine Bryan, Courtland street.

Thomastown — Ethel F. Roberts, Myrtle ave.
 South Middleboro — Donna E. Luce, South Middleboro.
 Highland — Annabel Landgrebe, North street.
 Rock — Florence I. Reed, 115 Centre street.
 Wappanuckct — Faye H. Deane, 63 Oak street.
 Marion Road — Katherine M. Cole, Rock.

SPECIAL TEACHERS.

Music — Austin M. Howard, 66 Everett street.
 Drawing — Elizabeth E. Marvin, Brockton, Mass.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1906-1907.

HIGH SCHOOL AND UPPER GRAMMAR GRADES.

Winter term (twelve weeks) begins January 3.
 Winter term ends March 23.
 Vacation one week.
 Spring term (twelve weeks) begins April 2.
 Spring term ends June 20-23.
 Grammar Schools graduation June 20. High, June 23.
 Vacation ten weeks.
 Fall term (sixteen weeks) begins September 4.
 Fall term ends December 21.
 Vacation one week.
 Winter term (twelve weeks) begins December 31.
 Winter term ends March 22.
 Vacation one week.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Winter term (eleven weeks) begins January 8, 1906.
 Winter term ends March 23.
 Vacation one week.
 Spring term (twelve weeks) begins April 2.
 Spring term ends June 21.
 Vacation eleven weeks.
 Fall term (fifteen weeks) begins September 10.
 Fall term ends December 21.
 Vacation one week.
 Winter term (twelve weeks) December 31.
 Winter term ends March 22.
 Vacation one week.

School Holidays.

February 22, April 19, May 30, Plymouth County Teachers' Convention, Thanksgiving and the day following. Two visitation days. May 11, School Exhibition.

Pay Days.

February 2, March 2, 23, May 4, June 8, 21, October 5, November 2, December 7, 21, February 8, March 8 and 22.

SCHOOL SESSIONS.

High from 8.15 a. m. to 1.15 p. m.

Central elementary from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and 1.30 p. m. to 3.30 p. m.

Suburban, morning session from 9 a. m. to 12 m. Afternoon session from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m., during Sept., Oct., April, May and June: from 1 p. m. to 3.30 p. m. during Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb. and March.

FIRE SIGNAL.

Two strokes of gong—pupils will march out *without* hats and coats.

Two strokes, followed by one—pupils will march out *with* hats and coats.

Fire drills shall be given at least once a week.

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